Habib confers with Gemayel

BEIRUT (R) - Lebanese President Amin Gemayel met U.S. special envoy Philip Habib Sunday on the eve of the 15th round of negotiations on the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon. state-run Beirut Radio reported. It was Mr. Habib's third meeting with President Gemayel since his arrival here on Monday night from Israel. The U.S. envoy has also met Prime Minister Shafiq Al Wazzan, Foreign Minister Elie Salem and other Lebanese leaders. Lebanese. Israeli and U.S. negotiators are due to meet in Khalde, south of Beirut, Monday following the disclosure by Lebanese officials that Mr. Habib was bringing new ideas to speed up the talks. Lebanon has opposed an Israeli demand for a continued military presence in Lehanon after the withdrawal of its invasion forces, and for open borders.

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·Lecturer' claims responsibility for Jerusalem attack

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TEL AVIV (A.P.) — An anonymous caller identifying himself as a university lecturer has claimed responsibility for the grenade attack on a crowd of antigovernment demonstrators, the daily Maariv said Sunday. The paper said its news division head, Ido Dissentshik, took the call on Friday. It said the man elaimed to have given an order to a member of an elite army combat unit to throw the grenade. The grenade killed a demonstrator and wonnded nine other people. It was the first attack of its kind in the fristory of modern Israel, and provoked widespread fear that the country's heated political debate would lead to civil strife. Maariv said police believed a group of people pla-nned the attack carefully. It said the pm and carton of the grenade was found near the scene of the attack, outside Prime Minister Menachem Begin's office.

Israeli soldier wounded in Tyre

TEL AVIV (R) - An Israeli soldier and a civilian were slightly wounded Sunday when a bomh exploded as an Israeli hus passed a Palestinian refugee camp near Tyre, in South Lebanon, a military spokesman said. The bus was carrying Israeli troops returning from weekend leave when the exp-losion occurred near the Rashidiye camp.

Rightist-Druze tension increases

BEIRUT (Agencies) - Relations between Druze and Christian __communities in the mountains east of here sharply deteriorated over the last 24 hours with the abduction of six Druze Muslims Saturday and the killing of several Christians on Friday, The Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) of Druze leader Walid Junblatt has accused the Lebanese Forces, the united Christian militia group, of kidnapping six people in Arbaniyeh, including a former Lebanese amhassador. Press reports said the abductions were aimed at securing the release of Christian hostages reportedly held by the Druze militia.

Fahd receives Thatcher message

BAHRAIN (R) - King Fabd of Saudi Arabia Sunday received a letter from British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher; the Saudi Press Agency said. It did not disclose the contents of the letter. delivered by British Ambassador James Craig in Jeddah, and a British embassy spokesman declined

Baz denies reported Cairo letter to Rabat

CAIRO (R) — Egyptian pre-sidential adviser Osama Baz Sunday denied a report Saturday by Egypt's official Middle East News Agency (MENA) that he had visited Morocco to deliver a message from President Hosni Mubarak to King Hassan. "I have not been to Morocco," Mr. Baz told reporters. MENA Saturday cancelled the report without explanation twohours after issuing it. Its original report said the message concerned Mr. Mnbarak's recent talks in the United States, Canada, Britain and France.

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Organisation (PLO) leadership has rejected President Reagan's Middle East peace plan, Salah Khalaf, regarded as the PLO's number two leader, said Sunday. He told foreign journalists the PLO leadership, which has been meeting in Algiers for the past five

Salah Khalaf:

PLO rejects

Reagan plan

ALGIERS (R) — The Palestine Liberation

days, found the plan unacceptable because it fell short of granting the Palestinian people a state.
However, PLO Executive
Committee Chairman Yasser

Arafat would not immediately confirm the rejection of the Reagan plan.
"I am a democrat and do not want to anticipate the PNC dec-

isions," he told reporters Sunday before taking part in the lea-dership's final session. The Reagan plan, proposed last September, calls for Palestinian

self-rule in the West Bank and

Gaza Strip in association with Jor-The PLO leadership, in Algiers to prepare for the 16th session of the Palestine National Council (PNC), or parliament-in-exile, was holding a final meeting Sun-

Palestinian sources said the PLO's rejection of the Reagan plan would be mentioned in a resolution to be submitted to the PNC, which opens Monday night.

The PNC session is expected to endorse an Arah League peace plan that would indirectly recognise Israel in return for creation of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, the sources

Before Sunday's announcement, PLO moderates had expressed a desire for the PNC to endorse moves by Mr. Arafat to elicit further explanations of U.S. peace efforts in the Middle East. Mr. Arafar's efforts had drawn sharp criticism from radical Palestinian factions and some Arab

Cheysson reassures Baghdad of 'deep French-Iragi ties'

BAGHDAD (R) - Iraqi Pre- war imposed on Iraq by the Irasident Saddam Husseln and. French External Affairs Minister Claude Cheysson Sunday discussed bilateral relations, the Middle East and international issues of common concern.

The Iraqi News Agency said President Hussein and Mr. Cheysson wished to continue bilateral cooperation "with the same spirit of friendship that has marked the two countries' relations during the past years."

President Hussein expressed itude toward "Arab issues and the ister Tareq Aziz.

nian regime", said the agency. Mr. Cheysson conveyed an oral message to President Hussein from President Mitterrand reflecting "the deep friendship and the advanced relations" between Iraq and France, it said.

The French minister arrived in Baghdad Saturday from Amman on the second leg of a five-day Middle East tour. He goes on to Syria Monday.

He held his first round deep appreciation of French Pre- Saturday night with Iraqi Deputy sident Francois Mitterrand's att- Prime Minister and Foreign Min-

Iraq reports heavy Iranian losses in latest offensive

BEIRUT (R) — Iraq said Sunday that more than 15,000 Iranian troops had been killed in fierce battles last week when Iran launched a new offensive in the Gulf

The Iraqi News Agency quoted a high command official as saying the Iranians had lost 15,258 dead. He added that the Iraqis destroved or captured 98 Iranian tanks and 81 armoured personnel carriers.

He said nothing about Iraqi los-

The Iranians began their offensive in the early hours of Monday morning, thrusting forward against Iraqi defences along the border, southeast of Baghdad.

Fierce battles continued until early on Thursday, when Iran claimed it had destroyed an Iraqi brigade and Iraq said it had surrounded the spearhead of the attacking force in a 10-hour battle and forced 1,000 men to sur-

A military spokesman said Iraqi naval units and jets Saturday night attacked Iran's main oil terminal at Kharg Island and hit an oil tanker anchored there, according to the agency.

Earlier in the day the Iraqi high command said its planes flew more than 100 raids against Iranian battle positions, causing heavy losses.

The news agency said the Iraqi chief of staff, Gen. Abdul Jabhar Shanshal, told state television the Iranians had launched their offensive along a 15-kilometre front. concentrating on a sector two to three kilometres wide.

Gen. Shanshal estimated the attacking forces at four divisions.

The commander of the Fourth Army Corps, which bore the brunt of the Iranian attack, told reporters earlier this week that he believed the Iranians wanted to reach the Iraqi town of Amara. which lies on a strategic highway linking Baghdad with Basra.

The Iranians tried to encircle Basra last year but failed to break through Iraqi defences.

Since the fighting on the ground has eased off, Iraq has been using its supremacy in air power to keep up pressure on the Iranian forces.

10 killed in Italy as high winds hit ski-lift cabins

CHAMPOLUC, Italy (R) — Ten people were killed Sunday when high winds swept three ski-lift cabins 60 metres into a mountainside near this north Italian ski resort, police said.

They said eight skiers died instantly when three cabins came off the cahleway. Two others died soon afterwards in hospital and two more were slightly injured.

Other skiers on the lift were plucked from their cabins by rescue helicopters in driving wind and snow at an altitude of 1,900 metres near the Swiss border.

Eyewitnesses said the accident happened close to the lift's departure point when one of the cabins became detached, slid back down the cable and dislodged ano-

Each cabin was carrying four people when they came off the lift in an area bout 16 kilometres south of the Matterhora.

It was not known how many people were on the ski-lift at the time of the accident but local officials said the lift had about 15 cahins, which could each carry four people.

Two Israeli mothers invited to visit captive sons in Beirut

AMMAN (Agencies) — An announcer on Jordan Television has extended an invitation to the mothers of two Israeli soldiers being beld by a faction of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) to visit their sons in Lebanon.

The announcer, Harnn Mnhammad, said on Jnrdan's Hehrew-language news Saturday that he had met both soldiers and found them well. The two, whn were taken prisoners in Lebanan more than five months ago by the group of Ahmad Jebril, have not been

allowed visits by the Int-

ernational Red Cross. Mr. Mohammad told the mothers of Yosef Groff and Nissim Shalem that they could gn to Beirut and there contact the Red Cross which would arrange the visit.

Asked for her reaction on Israel Radio Sunday, Miriam Groff said she had been "astnunded" by the message and had already started "making various inquiries." She said that it was a pity the PLO had not made such an offer before but if "the PLO wants us to come we'll du all we can to arrange it,"

An Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman said be was not aware of any requests from the mothers and an army spokesman said the army was not dealing with the matter.

Israel has demanded that the two soldiers be accorded the same Red Cross visits that six other soldiers held by the PLO's Al Fatch wing are allnot withdraw from Lebanno until all its prisoners are rep-

Pratidu utges Iran, Iraq to end 'senseless' bloodshed

MOSCOW (R) - The Soviet Communist Party daily Pravda Sunday appealed to Iran and Iraq to end their war and said it was aiding the United States and Isr-

In a commentary on the renewed flare-up of fighting in the past few days, Pravda said the war was pointless and brought nothing hut suffering to both the Iranian and Iraqi peoples.
"From the viewpoint of the Sov-

iet Union and the frateroal socialist countries the most reasonable thing Iran and Iraq could do is put an immediate stop to this senseless bloodshed," it added.

The daily said it was regrettable that the war had deeply divided the Arab states with some supporting Baghdad and others Teh-

Van Der Broek urges Euro-Arab cooperation

BAHRAIN (R) - Dutch Foreign Minister Hans Van Der Broek, on a five-nation Middle East tour, Sunday called for greater Arab-European cooperation to bring peace to the Gulf, the Gulf News

Agency said. The 29-month-old Iraq-Iran war, which flared up again a week ago, was among issues the Dutch minister discussed with Bahraini Foreign Minister Sheikh Moh-

AMMAN (Petra) — Pakistani

Foreign Minister Sahabzadah

Yaquh-Khan arrives in Amman

Monday on a four-day visit. dur-

ing which he will hold talks with

Jordanian senior officials on dev-

Lt.-Gen. (retired) Yaqub-Khan

was boro in December 1920, and

attended The Royal Indian Mil-

itary College and Indian Military

Academy Dehra Dun from 1932

to 1940. He received his army

commission in 1940 during the

Second World War and served

with the allied forces in the Middle

East at the siege of Tobruk in

After the establishment of Pak-

istan in 1947, he opted for service

in the Pakistan army and com-

manded an armoured regiment

and then an armoured brigade. He

attended the Pakistan Army Staff

TEL AVIV (R) - Ariel Sharon

was removed Sunday as Israeli

defence minister and his res-

ponsibilities vested temporarily in

Prime Minister Menachem Begin

but Mr. Sharon remained in the

cabinet as minister without por-

Mr. Sharon's removal was rec-

ommended by a judicial inquiry which found him indirectly res-

ponsible for a massacre of Pal-

estinian refugees in Beirut last

tfolio.

elopments in the Middle East.

ammad Ibn Mubarak Al Khalifa. Urging Europe to help ease tension in the region, Sheikh Mohammad said: "Western Europe should look at the Middle East from the position of neutrality and should try to have a dialogue with the Palestinians."

Mr. Van Der Broek later flew to the UAE, the last leg of his tour which also took him to Oman. Jordan and Lebanon. UAE off-

College in Quetta and sub-

sequently held various command

and staff appointments in the Pak-

After his retirement from the

army. Yaqub-Khan was appointed in 1972 as Pakistan amb-

assador in France with concurrent

In December 1973, Yaqub-

khan was posted as Pakistan

ambassador to the United States

of America. Ambassador

Yaqub-Khan gained international

fame during this period for his role

in defusing a potentially dan-gerous situation by successfully

persuading a group of American

Muslims, who had taken hostage a

large number of residents of Was-

hington DC, to release them wit-

hout harm or injury. The neg-

otiations with this group lasted

over 30 hours and ambassador

Sharon submits formal resignation

Mr. Sharon wrote in a letter of

resignation to Mr. Begin: "I wish

to state that I will comply with the

cabinet decision and transfer the

portfolio of the Defence Min-

that I do not intend to resign from

confirm the change Monday, cle-

aring the way for the appointment

the cabinet."

His letter added: "I wish to state

Parliament was expected to

leading candidate for the job is resign.

accreditation to Ireland.

icials said the minister's talks in Abu Dhabi would cover economic ties as well as Middle Eastern political questions.

Dutch imports from the UAE last year. mainly crude oil, totalled about \$300 million. The UAE bought \$189 million worth of Dutch agricultural produce, foo-

dstuff, chemicals and industrial Pakistan foreign minister arrives today

Jimmy Carter and U.S. Secretary

After his ambassadorial app-

ointment in the U.S.A. he was

posted as Pakistan ambassador to

Yaqub-Khan was again appointed

as Pakistan ambassador in France

with concurrent accreditation to

is a linguist familiar with the Eng-

lish, French, German, Russian,

Bengali, Italian and Urdu, lan-

guages. He can also read and und-

erstand the Arabic language,

Among his wide intellectual int-

erests Yaqub-Khan specialises in

philosophy and literature. He

takes a keen interest in sports and

has been an international polo

Moshe Arens, Israel's ambassador

Hammer said he was "sure Mr.

Sharon will help Mr. Arens fulfil

Zamir told the cabinet that by giv-

ing up the defence post Mr. Sha-

ron had complied with the com-

mission's recommendation that he

"draw the appropriate personal

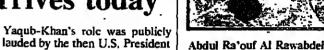
Education Minister Zevulun

Attorney-General Yitzhak

in Washington.

of State, Cyrus Vance, -

Ireland.



Rawabdeh appointed Moscow in late 1979, In 1980, Amman Foreign Minister Yaqub-Khan mayor

AMMAN (J.T.) — National Consultative Council Deputy Speaker and former minister Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh has been appointed mayor of Amman to succeed Mr. Issam Ajlouni, who died last December, a cabinet announcement

said Sunday. Mr. Rawabdeh, who has now resigned his NCC membership to take up the new post, had previously served the country in various capacities such as director of the Pharmacies Department at the Ministry of Health, secretary-general of Yarmouk University, minister of communications and

minister of health.
Mr. Mawlood Abdul Qader and Dr. Ishaq Al Farhan, a former minister of education, have been appointed as members of the Amman Municipal Council, Sunday's cabinet announcement said. The appointments take effect Monday.

Grenade attack on Peace Now sparks fears of factional violence in Israel

The Peace Now movement Sat-

blast near the cabinet office in

occupied Jerusalem on Thursday.

ens of Israelis, many of whom dis-

agree with the movement, were

gathered in Tel Aviv Sunday, arg-

uing heatedly over Israel's policy

on the West Bank, the recent res-

ignation of Defence Minister

Ariel Sharon and the war in Leb-

Around a low black altar, doz-

TEL AVIV (R) - A grenade att- 1967, he said, and since then the country has come conditioned ack on Israeli peace campaigners to violence by the killings of Palthis week has raised fears that Isrestinian demonstrators. ael is sliding into violence as Israelis grow more intolerant of each urday began a seven-day vigil in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv in memother's views on how to deal with the Arabs. ory of their colleague killed in the

But in a display of unity rare in recent years, politicians of all persuasions have condemned the grenade attack which killed a moderate peace campaigner and injured 10.

The attack, on a group of Peace Now' protesters demanding implementation of an inqtiry report criticising Israeli leaders for their indirect responsibility for the Beirut massacre, is viewed by many Isrealis as a symbol of an increasingly acrimonious confrontation between the right and left.

"I hope this is the end of a period, I see it as a landmark in a trend that began in our society a long time ago," said Avraham Burg, one of the protesters slightly hurt in the blast and the son of Interior Minister Yosef Burg.

Protected by police against further attacks, the only point of agreement among those present was that the murder must not serve as

a precedent in Israel.

'Unacceptable' "It threw me completely off balance. I don't know what I think anymore, except that such an attack is unacceptable." said Doron The animosity began with the

Roth, a student who voted for an

extreme right-wing party and strongly supports Jewish settlements in the West Bank.

Political vehemence within Israel has run so high that, as the victims of the attack were taken to hospital one government supporter shouted: "It's a pity you weren't all blown up." Rabbi Meir Kahane, founder of

the militant ultra-nationalist Jewish Defence League, said the attack had "changed nothing. The left remains the left -- the enemies of Israel -- putting the knife in the people's back." The rabbi, whose supporters

have been arrested in the past for attacks against Arabs, was briefly questioned by police after last week's blast.

Police say they have not arrested anyone in connection with the attack and are continuing the investigation.

The mass-circulation Maariv newspaper called for "common action, sharp and unequivocal, to make clear that Israel will not tolerate events such as the one that brought about the tragic death of Emil Grunzweig."

of a new defence minister. The conclusions" -- a euphemism for '82 figures reflect rise in cost of living in Jordan

AMMAN (J.T.) — The average cost of living in Jordan for the past year registered 206.75 points in comparison with 192.5 in 1981. according to Department of Statistics figures published in the Al Ra'i newspaper Sunday.

The new statistics indicate that the average rise in the cost of living in 1982 registered 7.4 per cent-the lowest inflation figure for the past IU years.

This means that one Jordanian dinar in 1982 had the purchasing power of 49.8 fils in 1975, according to the paper's economic analyst. He said the average rise in prices over the past seven years which registered 11 per cent per annum, meant that capital investors, at an 11 per cent interest rate over this period, had merely managed to keep their capital at the same level without actually making any real profits.

Cypriots poll after bitterest campaign NICOSIA (R) - Greek Cypriots

occupation of the West Bank in

voted briskly Sunday 10 choose a new president for this communally divided and strategically sited island after the bitterest election campaign since independence 23 vears ago.

By midday more than half the 328,000 electorate had voted in the three-way contest. Centreright President Spyrios Kyprianou is hattling to stay in power with the help of Communist allies. In the election campaign con-

servative Glafcos Clerides said the alliance with the Akel Communist Party would bind Mr. Kyprianou to Communist policies at home and abroad.

But the president denied this, saying Akel had made no radical demands in its joint manifesto with his own Democratic Party (Diko). Pre-election polls made Mr.

Kyprianou a narrow favourite to beat Mr. Clerides and Socialist Party leader Vassos Lyssarides. Whoever wins will claim to be ruler of all Cyprus, even though

Greek Cypriots have had no say in running the northern part of the island since the Turkish army occupied it in 1974.

Cypriot Turks, about 20 per cent of the population, ignored the election and celebrated instead the eighth anniversary of the founding of their Turkish federated republic of Cyprus. In the Greek southern two-

thirds of Cyprus voters arrived early at 573 polling stations and queued patiently. Voting numbers were swelled

by an influx during the past week of Greek Cypriots from abroad, mostly students. Cyprus has no university of its own and there are large Cypriot student populations in London, Athens and Eastern bloc institutions.

Mr. Kyprianou was elected unopposed after the death in 1977 of President Makarios, who had dominated Cyprus politics.

Since then Mr. Kyprianou's support has eroded, partly through lack of progress in the longrunning talks between Greek and

Turkish Cypriots on how to restore harmony to the island.

By last spring this had become so evident that Mr. Kyprianou forged his controversial alliance with the Akel Communist Party. believed to be the island's largest single political group.

Foreign diplomats are studying the elections keenly, anxious to determine whether the communist element could enhance Soviet influence on an island which stands at the gateway to the Middle East and on the southeastern tip of the NATO alliance.

Akel's leadership adheres to Orthodox Communist ideology but has shown no sign of pushing for immediate revolutionary cha-

IRA gun-running case goes on trial in New York today

NEW YORK (R) - Four men IRA supporters had a Central facaccused of trying to buy a surface- elligence Agency (CIA) conto-air missile for the Irish Republican Army (1RA) are scheduled to go on trial here Monday in a case being watched closely in London, Washington and Dublin. The trial is the first major IRA

since last November's surprise equittal of five men who admitted buying weapons for the IRA. The acquittal in that trial--dubbed the case of the IRA five"--came because the

jury accepted a defence claim that the U.S. government had tacitly approved the weapons purchases. The defence had argued that the man selling the weapons to the

of the sale. However, the case scheduled to start Monday, barring the possibility of a last-minute delay, is gun-running case to come to court different in that the government alleges that the four accused tried

nection and therefore the U.S.

government knew and approved

to buy weapons from undercover FBI agents. Among the weapons the four had tried to buy was a surfaceto-air missile

The four accused are Gabriel Megahey. 39. Andrew Duggan, 49. Eamon Meehan, 46, and Meehan's 56-year-old brother

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FEATURES

Unemployment — Main reason for Australia's cut in immigration

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By Brian Timms

SYDNEY — Australia, once an El Dorado for people seeking a new life, is now putting a brake on immigration as the world recession bites deeper into its economy.

With unemployment rising every month, the government has introduced several measures aimed at keeping unwanted mig-

The latest move cut the planned intake of skilled immigrants and their dependents by 10,000 and severely restricted the types of

workers to be allowed in. Prospective migrants turning up at Australian consulates and embassies will now have only 21 categories of jobs to choose from instead of 75 last year.

Steel workers and those in related industries are among those

removed from the list of workers needed in Australia's six states under the country's labour shortage programme.

The types of jobs still available vary from state to state, but in New South Wales, badly hit by recession, the categories have been cut from 53 to eight. -

Pastry cooks, computer programmers, orthodontic technicians and precision instrument makers are among those who still have the best chance of settling in New South Wales.

Restriction on immigration is new to Australia. Only last year it scrapped a scheme helping to pay the travel costs of migrants with the skills it needed most.

In the 1950s shiploads of British migrants paid only £10 (then \$28) a head for the voyage of more than

But with Australia suffering its worst drought for a century and its economy caught in the general world recession, unemployment

has now reached record levels. A total of 553,000 people are out of work, eight per cent of the

ical Collage (University of Jordan).

work force, and the figure is likely in the right direction. to rise when the latest batch of summer school-leavers starts Fraser's liberal coalition govlooking for jobs.

The Australian Council of Trade Unions, which had criticised the rate of immigration, welcomed the new measures as a step

Prime Minister Malcolm ernment has to bold an election by

October at the latest and the move . expected to be generally popular.

power was vital to maintain Australia's booming farming and mineral-based economy.

The government sets an annual figure for all immigration. This against worker-immigrants is year's initial quota, including refugees, dependent relatives, In the past, an influx of manworkers and New Zealanders, was

129,000 for the period to the end of June.

There are an estimated 50,000 illegal immigrants in Australia, most of whom came in on holiday

visas and stayed on to work. Over the past three months, \$00 of them have been deported, left

under supervision or agreed to go voluntarily.

But with the growth rate in Australia's population, including births and migrants, running at an annual rate of only 1.6 per cent, immigration is likely to increase again if happier boom days return

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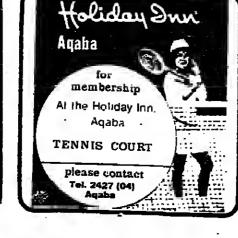
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EEC long term loans to set up medium-size industry, craft ventures

Development Bank (IDB) has received two loans totalling nearly \$7.03 million from the European Investment Bank (EIB), the EEC's bank for long-term finance, according to the Londonbased Middle East Economic Digest (MEED).

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It said in its latest edition that the loans will be used for small and medium-size industrial, tourism and craft ventures.

The first loan of \$4.7 million is from the EIB's own resources, mainly from borrowings on the capital markets, the magazine said. This loan, it explained is for: 12 years and carries interest of 9.15 per cent, after allowing for a two per cent interest subsidy financed from the EEC budget.

The second loan, according to MEED, amounts to \$2.3 million and is repayable over 40 years with a one per cent interest rate. The second loan comes from EEC

AMMAN (J.T.) - The Industrial funds managed by the EIB for granting loans on special terms, the magazine said.

The two loans are the first to be made under the second financial protocol between the EEC and Jordan, which came into force on January 1, the magazine said.

MEED also reported that the Jeddah-hased Islamic Development Bank (IDB) had signed a \$7.6 million loan agreement with the National Planning Council (NPC) to part-finance the \$75 million Zarqa-Ruseifa water and sewerage scheme. The project is also supported by the World Bank, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and West Germany's lending institution (KFW).

According to the magazine, a contract award is expected soon for the 24,000-cubic metre-a-day Zarqa sewage treatment plant, planned as part of the scheme, and expected to cost \$25 million.

MEED retracts report saying Euroloan increased by \$25m

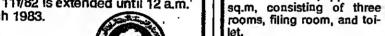
AMMAN (J.T.) — A Euroloan expected to be made to Jordan will be increased to \$225 million as Times says the London-based Middle East Economic Digest report.

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Industry and Trade Under-Secretary Mohammad Saleh Al Hourani (second from right) addresses a

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Hourani says chemical fertilisers could increase Arab agricultural production by 100-700 per cent

AMMAN (Petra) — Chemical animal and agricultural pro- linar in cooperation with the Min-fertilisers can play a significant duction to ensure food security for listry of Industry and Trade, and fertilisers can play a significant role in increasing Arah agricultural production, and the increase could go up by between 100 and 700 per cent, according to-Industry and Trade Under-Secretary Mohammad Saleh Al

He said that the Arah World still lacks proper planning for the use of fertilisers both on the nattonal and pan-Arah levels.

Addressing a five-day seminar on "consultations on agriculture, marketing and pricing of fertilisers and credit facilities users" held at the Amman Chamber of Industry. Mr. Hourani said that Arah processing industries should be hronght into harmony with food,

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Mr. Hourani, who deputised for Minister of Industry and Trade Walid Asfour in opening the seminar, expressed his hope that the delegates would arrive at an agreement on the policies and means of developing Arah agricultural potential, and ways of properly and economically exploiting Arab natural resources.

Among the delegates was a rep-resentative of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) who said that his organisation hopes the seminar will find better means of employing fertilisers, insecticides and highlield seeds to increase the Arah World's total

Other speakers included a representative of the Arab Organisation for Industrial Development (AOID) and the Arah which helped to organise the sem- resentatives.

Also addressing the opening session was Amman Chamber of Industry Director Ali Dajani who called for intensive Arab efforts to increase the production of fertilisers in order to achieve selfsufficiency in food.

Later, the delegates reviewed the first working paper submitted by the Jordanian delegation. The paper examines the chemical fertiliser situation in the Arah World and outlines the role of Jordanian agricultural credit institutions and the Jordan Fertiliser Industry Company in promoting agriculture in the country.

Countries taking part in the seminar are: Jordan. Iraq, Kuwait, Mauritania, Saudi Arahia, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia. Algeria. Lebanon, North Yemen. South Yemen, Oman, Pakistan, Organisation for Agricultural Holland, India and Canada as well Development (AOAD) both of as FAO. AOAD and AOID rep-

Queen Noor endorses agreement to open orphans' village in 1985

By Afifah A. Kaloti

AMMAN — Her Majesty Queen Noor Sunday received the agreement signed between the Jordan government, represented by the Ministry of Social Development, and the SOS Kinderdorf International to set up a children's village in Jordan.

In accepting the agreement the dan Queen also received Minister of Social Development Ina'am Al Mufti, the establishing committee of the SOS Association, the SOS Kinderdorf International representative in Jordan. Wolfgang Krug Von Nidda at the Nadwa Palace here.

SOS Kinderdorf International. which was established in 1949 by Professor Hermann Gmeiner in Imst. Austria. has established cbildren's villages all over the world. The village provides orphaned and ahandoned children with a surrogate mother, a family atmosphere, shelter and a village

"Through the efforts of Her Majesty Queen Noor the SOS project came into existence". Mrs. Al Mufti said Wednesday during the signing ceremony which took place at the Ministry of Social Development.

Under the agreement, which was signed by Mrs. Al Mufti and Mr. Nidda, the Jordanian government will give the necessary facilities to the SOS Kinderdorf International enabling them to establish a model village in Jor-

During the ceremony Mrs. Mufti expressed her great pleasure at signing the agreement. "It

is not just the financial assistance that is coming from an intemational organisation that is important to us, but the principle of the village whereby everything is directed at ensuring the welfare of the child is also impressive."

"Every effort is to be made to provide a healthy family atmosphere for the children," she added. Because the project coincides precisely with the ministry's aims and activities, Mrs. Al Mufti pointed out that they cannot but learn much from the venture.

Mrs. Al Mufti said that SOS International will finance the building of the village and will meet the running expenses for 5 years which could be renewed later."

Mrs. Al Mufti also expressed appreciation of the Austrian Chancellor Kreisky who responded to the project and to the founder of the international organisation Professor Gmeiner who "is eager for the project to get off the gro-

Addressing the members of the

Establishing Committee of the SOS Jordan Association at the ceremony, Mrs. Al Mufti thanked them for their efforts and said that they will be carrying a big responsibility in ensuring the success of the SOS project.

The establishing committee comprises Mrs. Laila Sharaf, Dr. Ghadah Paqa'in, Mrs. Furtunee Sukkar, Dr. Muhyildin Touq, Mr. Jaffar Touqan, Mr. Hakam Khayar, Mr. Sami Habayeb, and Mr.

Wolfgang Krug Von Nidda. At the ceremony, Mr. Nidda said that the agreement is a "very important step in the history of our international organisation."

"The SOS village in Jordan will not he a model from an architectural perspective hut most certainly will from the point of view of the best way of bringing up orphaned and ahandoned cbildren", he said.

Mr. Nidda also pointed out that the project plans to be open by

The SOS village, according to the agreement, will consist of one nursery school and 10 houses each containing between 6 and 10 children. Newly-born habies and youngsters of compulsory school age will also be admitted to the

The surrogate mothers will be women without family ties and will be aged between 25 and 40

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AMMAN is not merely a symbol of what Jordan has achieved in the past several decades. Nor should our capital city be seen only as a measure of our industrial or social development. It means much more to those who live in it and those who love it, and they are

A former mayor of Amman once described it as the most beautiful city in the world, and maybe he still holds the same opinion today. The late mayor, Isam Ajlouni, never failed to prove that he loved the place so much and died in office fully dedicated not only to serving its population but also to making it a more beautiful and safer city to live in. But, having said that, Amman is not a perfect city, and most of us know that it has many problems. Who, among us, is not aware that when we speak of municipality services extended to citizens and residents, there are actually two Ammans, one in the west and another in the east? Who can deny the fact that, with the ubiquitous diggings in and around the city perimeter, some of our streets are made that much more dangerous? Who has not gone through traffic congestions,

and has not faced parking problems and negotiated dangerous road junctions? Who has not missed taking walks in the park or the sight of even artificial lakes in Amman? But more importantly, who has not experienced water shortages and repeated electricity cuts? And who has not heard about the lack of funds for carrying out necessary municipality projects and installations?

Yes, Amman is a beautiful place, almost like a haven city in a troubled Middle East, yet it has problems. Hence the extreme importance

of the Amman mayor's job.

Mr. Abdul Raouf Rawabdeh, the newly appointed mayor, has the experience, and his practical approach to problems throughout his public service is well known, to be the good mayor of Amman we expect him to be. His personal integrity and devotion should make him even more successful in discharging the duties of his new office.

But as we wish Mayor Rawabdeh luck in his task, we warn that only achievements could speak for themselves. As we wait, Amman cannot stop.

JORDAN'S ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Israeli bomb death shows Zionists' fear of peace

The bomb that exploded near Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's office bas blown up the idea of "Israeli democracy which Israel has used for more than three decades to cover up its aggressive policies. The Israeli citizen torn to pieces by the bomb was a member of the "Peace Now Movement", and this plainly reflects how fearful the Zionist leadership in Israel is of peace.

It has been the Israeli leaders' custom to liquidate non-Jewish subjects, but this incident puts into a whole new light the ideology propagated by the Zionists regarding their concern for the life of Jews throughout the world. It has been natural for

them to massacre thousands of Arabs under the 'cover of protecting Israel's peace, but who is the Begin leadership protecting when an Israeli person gives his life while attempting to promote a peaceable outlook within Israeli society?

It is not easy to predict the outcome of this regrettable incident, but the very occurrance of such an incident simply iodicates how violeotly the Israeli leadership would respond to any genuine peace efforts for the Middle East region. It is also a lesson to the Arabs fighting the "peace battle", indicating how fierce such a battle is, when it threatens Israel's expansionist and annexationist ambitions.

Al Dustour: PNC resolutions must help peace process

opens its fourteenth session, which is undoubtedly the most important one in its history.

Among the complications the PNC session is to

The Palestine National Council (PNC) Monday

face is the recent American peace drive, which has been a positive response to the continued Israeli aggression, and the great development io world public opinion regarding the Palestinian problem.

An appropriate Arab response to the American peace proposals was formulated at the Arab summit held in Fez, Morocco last September. Such a unanimously-agreed stand should be enhanced by the PNC session, and Israel should be made to suffer increasing isolation by promoting an Arab

Sawt Al Shaab: Sharon goes, but Zionist ideology remains

The question posed by the Sabra and Sbatila massacre, and the judicial condemnation of Israel's former Defence Minister Ariel Sharon's involvement, is not a question of individuals as much as that of an ideology-a way of thinking, which all officials in the Israeli ruling circles share.

Such a way of thinking is the source of the violence and suffering in the Middle East. It is a mentality based on a racial grudge, violence and bloodshed. And what is most tragic about it is its success in mobilising almost all the Israelis behind peace offensive. Israel has rejected the Arab peace proposals in an off-handed way despite the fact that they are in full conformity with the United Nations' resolutions, and has even takeo an openly tough stand towards President Reagan's peace for the Middle East.

Hence, it is of great importance that the PNC's forthcoming decisions facilitate the continuation of the peace offensive in the region, and the accomplishment of a just and durable peace in view of the feverish Israeli effort to put obstacles in its path.

We are positive that the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leadership will wisely take all these political developments into accounts.

The ousting of Sharon as defence minister does not change these facts. The same outlook that pursues an annexationist line, denying the rights of the Palestinian people, will be sustained by another terrorist-minded defence minister. The spirit of militaristic hegemony, and aggression against other nations is the essence of the question. Moreover. with or without a portfolio. Sharon remains as a symbol of the blood-lust that remains inherent to

Strategic islands given limited independence

By James Foley Reuter

SAIPAN. Western Pacific - The United States is divesting itself of the administration of hundreds of strategically vital islands in the central and western Pacific in a way which could be vetoed by the Soviet Union.

The Americans, who wrested the islands from the Japanese during World War II. administerthem under a 1947 mandate from the United Nations Security Council. They are oow preparing to grant them limited independence.

The U.S. trust territory administration, located on this island some 1,500 miles south of Japan, is withering away as the four island groups form governments and prepare to enter a new relationship with the United

States. Washington, mindful of the military value of the islands, is insisting on maintaining responsibility for security in the region. This includes banning any future presence on the 2,100 islands of a third country such as the Sovier Union. As a result, the Soviet Union could throw a spanner into the works with its veto in the Security Council, which must agree to the final arrangements made between Wasbington and the islands.

There is talk among politicians in the islands of Washington instead asking the U.N. Trusteeship Council, which operates on a majority vote and where the Puerto Rico. Russians have no veto, to sanction the forthcoming treaties. But U.S. officials at trust territory headquarters say Washington fully

cow threatens a veto. "The issue has to go back to the Security Council," Donald Yellman, a State Department official involved in negotiations between the island groups and the United States, told Reuters. The trust territory of the Pacific islands was the only such territory formed by the Security Council because of its

strategic value.

intends to take the matter back to

the Security Council even if Mos-

U.S. and Japanese military strategists see the islands as essential to the ability of the United States to support its allies, particularly the Philippines, Japan and South Korea. They would view establishment of a Soviet naval or air base as disastrous. which is why the defence department insists that any deals struck with the islands contain subsidiary agreements to prevent a third

country moving into the area. The United States originally sought a single agreement with all four groups of islands, but only the Northern Marianas, the group of This is a close relationship similar to that between the U.S. and

Instead, the United States signed "compacts of free association" with the other three island groups, the Marshalls in the east. Palau in the west and the Federated States of Micronesia in the

Military route

These islands stretch across the Pacific from southwest of Hawaii to southeast of the Philippines and provide, as they did during World War II. a military route from the

United States to the heart of Asia. The compacts have to be put to plebiscite in the islands. Palau is voting later this month and the federated states are expected to vote in the spring, but the Marshalls plebiscite has been put off indefinitely because of a dispute which is fundamentally over

The U.S. will give them varying amounts of money over several years to assist in development. But it will also retain the use of Kwajelein atoll, in the Marshalls, as a target for test missiles fired from California and will have the right to contingeocy use of large areas of Palau for military purposes.

The Palestinian National Cou-

ncil (PNC) today convenes in Algiers at a historic point of time for the Palestine question. Its resolutions on the election of the PLO Executive Committee and the proposed plans for a peaceful settlement will affect the future of the Middle East and its peoples.

The question arises: What options are open to the Palestinians? In an attempt to analyse this matter. I would say that the possible outcome of the Algiers meeting can be predicted according to the following:

To start with, the Palestinians are currently under the influence of two major forces. On the one band, there are pressures exerted on them to become extremists and fatalists. On the other, plans for a peaceful settlement have been proposed which, if acted upon, will hoepfully meet the Palestinian aspirations and rights.

The pressures on the Pai-

estinians take many forms and emanate from many sources. In the occupied West Bank and Gaza, more than 37 per cent of the total area bas been confiscated and colonised by Isr-

Plans to expropriate more of the Arab land, to establish more colonies and increase their Israeli population are announced regularly. Arab universities and other institutions in the occupied areas are continuously threatened by. Israeli oppressive actions. The Israeli invasion of Leb-

anon devastated the Palestinian community there, destroyed the PLO base and physical infrastructure and culminated in the brutal massacre of innocent Palestinians in Sabra and Shatila. The Israeli authorities are, under various pretexts, pursuing their plans to destroy Palestinian communities starting with those in the occupied areas and LebLibya and Syria have been pushing the Palestinians towards an extremist position even if their attempts have endangered the PLO unity. Small Palestinian factions will endorse this approach because of their own immediate interests.

Options before the Palestinians in Algiers

It is no wooder that the Palestinians doubt the seriousness of different peace plans. So far oone of them has proved effective. This applies to both the Arab Fez plan and President Reagan's initiative. The continued Israeli occupation of Lebanon and the ineffectiveness of the American administration in making any progress as concerns Israeli withdrawal reinforce Palestinian doubts and compell them to keep other options

However, the Palestinians have now less room for manoeuvre and should oot remain indecisive for too long. Their attempts to support rev-, olutiooary segments in certain

Arab countries bave been self-defeating in the light of the present framework of Arab societies. In other words, the Palestinians can no longer afford to disregard second-best solutions.

It seems that PLO officials bave already taken steps to explore the possibilities of a peaceful settlement. They have, more or less, accepted the Arab Fez Plan and referred to positive elements in Reagan's initiative. Details of a Palestinian-Jordanian confederation are being worked out. They are also observing a self-imposed cease-fire as concerns military activities against Israeli targets.

Faced with these two contrasting options, the most probable outcome of the PNC meeting in Algiers is a mixed one; The olive branch and the gun and in this order. The meeting will give proposals for peace a fair chance, despite the

.prevailing uncertainty. Accordingly, Yasser Arafat will get the support he oeeds and may come up with a more cohesive Executive Committee. The Jordanian-Palestinian confederatioo will also be approved and a formula may be worked out confident on PLO representation in forthcomine negotiations.

By T.A. Jaber

On the other hand, the PNC - for the time being will be cautious enough not to unilaterally recognise Israel nor to amend the Palestinian National Charter. Though it will guide future action in favour of cooperating with moderate Arab states, it will keep the military option open but temporarily inactivate. If nothing positive materialises out of peaceful efforts, military activities most probably will be resumed. This is wby time, now more than ever, is very crucial to the stability and future of



Suharto contemplates stepping down soon

By Peter Griffiths

JAKARTA - As the only candidate in sight for the presidency. Indonesia's President Subarto is certain of re-election as leader of the world's biggest Muslim nation next month, but his fourth term in office could be his last.

General Suharto has denied he wants to be president for life and said recently it was time for the younger generation to take over. Sources close to him say he is contemplating stepping down as early

By then after 20 years in power. say the sources, the president hopes Indonesia will have overoome the political and economic turmoil left by his predecessor. President Sukarno.

By keeping a remarkably low profile, shunning the limelight and raising traditional Javanese modesty to a fine art. General Suharto's style is in stark contrast to the flamboyance of the Sukarno years, and his "new order" administration has made considerable month's OPEC meeting.

economic achievements. Oil revenues, political stability

and aid and advice from Westero friends have helped the administration reduce inflation to alltime lows, spurred development and domestic manufacturing and brought virtual self-sufficiency in rice, the staple food for Indonesia's 150 millioo people.

But the world glut of oil -- source of 70 per cent of Indonesia's export revenues -- and a slump in mcome from the country's nonenergy exports is bogging down what was until a couple of years a buoyant if not booming economy.

With only five weeks to go to his re-election by congress. President Suharto announced price increases for kerosene, which is used throughout the country for cooking and lighting, and eradicated subsidies on staple foods. The measures have already started pushing up inflation. The government has under wraps an even tougher package of fiscal measures should world oil prices plunge after the collapse of last

to be more stable than ever. Before the last presidential election in 1978, university students took to the streets to criticise business dealings of General Subarto and his wife. Ibu Tien. But now under threat of expulsion if they take part in political activity or criticise the government while on campus,

the students bave so far been

The Muslim opposition PPP party, which in 1978 walked out of congress over religious issues and provoked General Suharto to exclude opposition members from the cabinet for the first time, also appears to have acquiesced.

In last year's parliamentary election PPP candidates were criticised for campaigning on religious grounds and accusing Presideot Suharto's Golkar party of being anti-Islam.

But this week John Naro, chairman of the PPP, stated the party's allegiance to Indonesia's official ideology, the elaborately structured secular cult of Pancasila, which lays down five gui-

Politically, the country appears ding principles for Indonesian society and separates religion and politics.

> Fears that Islamic militancy will focus social and political discontent are a strong motive for the propagation of Pancasila. But apart from a few alleged Muslim fanatics sentenced to death for hijacking and subversion, there has been little sign in this 90per-cent-Muslim country of radical fundamentalism.

> The normally vociferous opposition group known as Petition of 50 has also remained silent. In this past the group of former politicians, prominent academics and retired military men have criticised General Suharto's government as being undemocratic, unconstitutional and condoning widespread corruption.

"It is almost as if it is too quiet," said one opposition politician. "But with the security forces tightly in control, the students completely cowed and even the group of 50 silent, I believe it will stay

Despite an apparent total lack of political activity National Security Chief Admiral Sudomo has ordered political meetings banned from Feb. 15 to March 15 to "maintam tranquility" until after

The 920-member congress meets every five years to appoint a president and vice-president and adopt the "broad outlines of state policy" for the coming five years. There is no doubt Suharto will be chosen since a good proportion of the congress members are appointed by him and only 364 members (39 per cent) were directly elected in last May's parliamentary elections.

There is some doubt, however. about whether General Suharto will again pick Adam Malik. vice-president since 1978 and previously speaker of the house. as bis running mate.

Some observers say they believe the new house speaker, Amir Machmud, will be next vicepresident and possible successor to General Subarto.

President Chun has softened a tough image

By Allan Reditt

SEOUL - A softening of South Korean President Chun Doo Hwan's former tough image has reaped rich diplomatic rewards for his government and the signs are that be intends to continue with his more liberal approach.

In a new year message President Chun promised to begin lifting the ban on 567 politicians barred from politics for eight years during the widespread purges of 1980. The promise followed the December release of arcb-dissident Kim Das-Jung from jail and his subsequent departure for the United States, osteosibly for medical treaument.

The release of Mr. Kim cleared the way for the visit of Japanese Prime Minister Yasihiro Nakasone, the first official visit by a Japanese premier to South Korea. The Japanese, still smarting from the audacious kidnapping of Mr. Kim from a Tokyo botel in 1973 by South Korean agents, had seen

improved relations. With Mr. Kim safely in the Uni-

ted States, Mr. Nakasone and Prewith agreement oo a \$4-billion Japanese loan for Korean devclopment. The image of the president bim-

self bas subtly changed. The stern ex-soldier, stiff in unfamiliar civilian suits and garish ties, has gone. The president now projects the avuncular image of a leader giveo to telling folksy tales to illustrate a point. He wears sober ties and pale-rimmed spectacles, and artists no looger retouch photographs to hide his obvious baldness. Oo the international stage both critics and admirers admit he has bardly put a foot wrong. His sparing of Mr. Kim from the gallows after he had been sentenced to death in 1980 for sedition, won him the honour of being the first head of state to be received by President Ronald Reagan at the

White House. His tours of four African cou-

the Kim case as an impediment to ntries and Canada, and the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) helped bolster his image at home and abroad. He has sideot Chun were able to cement a received in Seoul the beads of new era in Tokyo-Seoul relations state of Indonesia, Costa Rica, Liberia, Zaire and Turkey, the heads of government of Japan, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Jamaica and Thailand and U.S. Vice-President George Bush.

He has also taken the initiative on the key issue of re-uniting the divided Korean peninsula.

Mr. Chun gained a propaganda victory with an offer to meet North Korean leader Kim Il-Sung at a place of his rival's choosing. The north rejected the proposal. The spate of liberalising reforms began in 1981 with the lifting of martial law, easing of restrictions on overseas travel and the granting of presidential amnesties which benefited about 8,000 pri-

Last year, apart from freeing Mr. Kim, President Chun released 47 political prisoners associated with Mr. Kim's cause and the 1980 civilian uprising in the southern

a less serious note rules forcing high school students to wear black military-style uniforms and scalp-clinging haircuts were relaxed in 1982. These measures have resulted

in a dramatic change in the atmosphere io South Korea since the president and his co-conspirators staged a coup against the upper ecbelons of the armed forces in December 1979, in the unsettled period after the October assassinatioo of President Park Chung-Hee.

The brief liberal spring of 1980 ended in May student riots and the violent Kwangju uprising followed by extensive purges of all sectors of Korean society.

With General Chun elected president in August 1980, the following year began with bis government securely in power, the armed forces unified, opposition politicians banned, the civil service weeded of disloyal elements and the press cowed. After a year. of protest against Chun's dra-

provincial capital of Kwangju. On domestic liberals, the tide turned in 1981 with the sparing of MI. Kim and the lifting of martial law.

> Studeot protests bave dropped markedly due partly to tougher academic selection. Forced construction has been reduced to 30 months from three years and the length of compnisory civil defence training bas been slashed. Parliament bas been allowed to her its muscles. President Chun's own ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) has rejected some pre sideotial legislative proposals and got away with it --unthinkable under the former regime of Pre-

sident Park. Criticism is still heard. Pardiament's demand for the restoration of the 567 banned politicians may be met, but opposition leader Kim Young-Sam, former bead of the banned New Democratic Party (NDP) remains under house arrest.

And the National Council of Churches of Korea says over 350 political prisooers are still in South conian measures from foreign and Korean jails.

Cairo Book Fair attracts thousands of visitors Randa Habib's

By Salwa El Taher Special to the Jordan Times

CAIRO - Thousands of publishers, writers, businessmen, teachers, students, sheikhs, nuns and housewives with toddlers daily elbowed through the Guezireh Exhibition Grounds as the Cairo 15th International Book Fair (Jan 27th - Feb. 7th) opened its doors under a splash of Egyptian sunshine.

We expect well over two miltion visitors this year," assured Mr. Mamdond Zamzam, Head of Exhibitions at the General Egyptian Book Organisation. The fair is an evergrowing institution. This year forty-two countries participated, many for the first time (Ireland, Albania, Kenya) and eleven as observers. As soon asthis fair closes its gates, we have to start planning for the 1984 one, which will be held at the same time

One of the bighlights of Egyptian cultural and commercial life, the fair is attended by people in the book industry all over the world, but, especially, by the Egyptian general public who come to keep in touch with new titles, stock up on books or look out for

There was bound to be somthing for every one in the seven independent "Serays" or "Halls" making up the fair. Hall (1) featured Dar El Maaref (Established 1890), one of Egypt's biggest publishing Houses; Hall (3) housed the General Egyptian Book Org-anisation, the government's nff-icial publishing house, part of the ministry of culture and organiser of all Book Spins and in the of all Book Fairs -- and, in the same Hall the U.S.S.R. and the Arab Publishers, Halls (4) and (6) also housed Arab Publishers, Hall

معرض لتاعرة الدوي فاسر خشوان

(4A) featured Al-Ahram.

In Hall 7, dedicated to children, children's books were sold, but staged at different hours throughout the day.

Hall (5) was the main Exhibition Hall, no selling was allowed there. International and Arab publishers, as well as the Egyptian government exhibited special books and manuscripts, relevant graphs and statistics. Guest speakers — writers such as Yusuf Idris, Anis Mansur -- gave lectures to the public. The PLO, present for the first time in its official capacity, showed an ABC video film on the Sabra and Shatila massacres, as well as a Lebanese Red Cross film of the siege of Beirut.

'Our stand was inaugurated by Prime Minister Fuad Moyel Dine", said Mrs. Nabil Shaath, as hundreds of viewers inquired

and squeezed themselves tight into every session. "You can assfilms and puppet shows were also ess the response of the people yourself', she added.

Egyptians wearing the badge 'Falastine Arabiya' (Palestine for the Arabs) lead me to Hall (3) where, again for the first time, the PLO's Research Centre as well as the Institute for Palestinian Research (its main centre in Beirut several times bombarded and ransacked by Israelis this summer) tried to meet the demands of the public for postcards, pamphlets and books.

"All copies of the last three issues of the magazine 'Palestine Affairs' were sold in a couple of hours!" exclaimed Bassam El Amury -- pleased, bewildered and frustrated: "We have asked for more supplies from Beirut, but, of course, you know how tures and reports of Sabra and Shatila displayed than they were sold. Books about Zionism, Jerusalem and the Palestinian struggle were grabbed by the public.

"There is a sort of thirst, of nostalgia, for anything Palestinian". explained Eyn El Hayat Ghoneun an Egyptian graduate from the Helouan School of Commerce. Eyn El Hayat remembers the incidents of violence around the Israeli stand in 1981 and 1982. "Egyptians and Palestinians protested together. And even later, when the Israeli stand was moved to the Exhibition Centre. people damaged their books in silence."

In the same hall, foreign books on every walk of life sold well. Posters, records, 1apes atlases. encyclopaedias, puzzles and educational toys swiftly passed over the counter, while verses of the

about the times of the showings things are." No sooner were pic- Koran alteroated on the loud speaker with music and songs, and advertisements and announcements of every sort.

> "Some people save up their money long in advance for this event "remarked Mr. Sarwat El Sharawi, Press Director at Dar El Sba'ab which tries to provide the public with quality books at reasonable prices. Its shelves displayed a great many religious books, but also new titles for women and children. Bargains all around ranged from 10 per cent discounts to 50 per cent special

> "People buy a great msny books on religion, tradition and history." said Mr. Sharawi, but scientific and technological publications are also selling very well. The fair reflects all aspects of life in society and all trends of tho-



Fair organiser Mr. Mamdoub Zamzam (right)

Main entrance to the 1983 Cairo Book Fair

Criticisms of system liven up 'staid' Soviet press

By Mark Wood Reuter

MOSCOW - The usual daily photograph of happy or heroic workers in a Moscow newspaper was recently replaced by a glowering foreman pointing angrily at his watch and berating a sheepish-looking machineminder. The captain said he was demanding to know why the worker was, yet again, half an hour late.

It was a radical departure from the unwritten Soviet media code which seems to require scenes from everyday life to show harmony and success, and it clearly reflected calls by new Soviet leader Yuri Andropov for a crackdown on slackers. Mr. Andropov's rise to power last November has produced other small changes in the staid Soviet press. Newspapers from Pravda reports highlighting management or labour inefficiency and brusquely demanding change.

There have even been one or two more adventurous essays suggesting radical economic reforms. But even today the casual reader has to look hard for expos-: ures of the system's weaknesses and on the whole the daily diet of the national and regional dailies has undergone only very minor alteration. Criticisms and attacks are normally buried deep in wordy essays which take up more than

half a page of close print. Only the most hardy are likely to plough through the litany of production successes preceding the more revealing passages. To most Westeroers, used to the eye-catching layouts of a competitive press, Soviet newspapers can look about as appealing as a telephone directory. Headlines

downwards now carry regular are seldom used to arouse interest. reports run on column after column and often page after page, and pictures are scarce.

But Mr. Andropov may be planning improvements. A few days ago the editor of the daily Izvestia, second in importance only to Pravda, was replaced and some Soviet sources said this followed high-level criticism that the paper was too dull. The basic formula for all news-

papers, however, is unlikely to change. The role prescribed for them by the Communist Party is not only to inform but also to provide propaganda and political education to frame the way Soviet citizens think. "The media still operate on the principle that the people are told what the Kremlin thinks they should know and this leaves little room for debate or presentation of new ideas," one Westero diplomat said.

This means Soviet readers may be given the full texts of Mr. Andropov's speeches but are told nothing of his private life. Someone who falls from grace is

all but forgotten. Thus former President Nikolai Podgorny's recent death was mentioned only in a three-line announcement at the back of Izvestia. Foreign news is put through an ideological filter and reports from the West are usually long features on unemployment and poverty. Development likely to cause embar-

rassment tend to be omitted. Pravda made no mention of the expulsion of thousands of Ghanaians from Nigeria, evidently for fear of offending Lagos. but did find room for a report that the Gbanaian government had discussed fears of Westerninspired subversion.

Pravda, the organ of the Communist Party with a circulation of over 10 million, usually has a six-page edition with front-page such as Sovietskoya Rossiya, feaparty leaders' activities and an editorial colling on workers in some sector to work harder.

Its second and third pages are devoted to political or economic issues with many of the lengthy guidelines for regional party and state officials.

Then comes a two-page foreign news section with reports from TASS bureaux, commentaries on the Kremlin's view of world events and a political cartoon in a style unchanged since the 1930s.

Pravda's back page looks at life in the armed forces or remote parts of the country and occasionally reports trials. The paper carries little sport, no advertising and only the bare bones of television and radio programmes. Not all the press follows the

reports of industrial successes and ture more human interest stories and often present lurid details from the trials of eriminals or corrupt officials. The Soviet newspaper world is far from uniform. Each republic has its own journals in local languages as well as Rusarticles intended to serve as sian and the country boasts more publications than any other.

With prices around four kopeks (six cents) they are also among the cheapest. It is no great outlay for sports fans to buy the specialist Sovietski Sport every day as well as one of the national newspapers. But whether they can always get hold of it is another question.

Paper and newsprint shortages mean editions of most papers and magazines are far below public demand, especially those that offer some light relief from the austere daily diet of Pravda and Izvestia.

Why screen pro-Israeli films?

After seeing the documentary presented by JTV on the horrible massacres at Sahra and Shatila, people around me were all asking the same question "Why was this particular documentary presented when it is apparent that it was made by people who are sympathetic to

While in Israel the Kahan commission had demonstrated Israeli responsibility and called for the resignation of Ariel Sharon, that same evening TV viewers in Jordan were under the impression that this documentary was finding excuses for Israel in addition to showing tha humane side of the Israelis.

It was an Israeli journalist who made the only touching comment: "I saw the corpse of a baby and thought of my four year nld daughter". The others, who talked to us cold-bloodedly about murders, are all Arabs.

Wouldn't it have been better and more educational for us all, and in particular for the generation who did not witness the atrocities of Deir Yassin and Kouhia (the last organised by Ariel Sharon) to see a documentary on Israel's past made by JTV on the basis of existing information?

Such a documentary could have given the blood-filled history of the Israelis, using photos and facts without any need far vindictive and fiery speeches. Such photos would reveal what nn imagination could even dream of.

When shall we stop being afraid of pointing an accusing finger at Israel? The crimes that Israel has committed and is still committing should be the subject of a courageous locally-made documentary. I am not against foreign documentaries as they are likely to be of a better standard, but what I want to avoid is those documentaries that are so npenly pro-Israeli.

Very soon the world will be praising Israeli democracy, and Israel will emerge from the horrible massacres of Sabra and Shatila with an aura of courage and good conscience. And it may not be long before the Israeli magicians, experts in changing facts, put the blame on 'other Arab states", as was said in the documentary shown on our

Opinion -- Al Ra'i

Decline in tourismlet's be honest

By Fahd Al Fanek

When I received a pamphlet from The Scandinavian tourists who the Director of Tourism, which was issued by a European tourist publisher, I thought he, the director, was drawing my attention to the error the publisher had made in stating that Jordan's share of tourist activity in the Middle East and North Africa had risen to 20 per cent, and that the average stay of tourists in Jordan has risen to seven days.

We all know that a foreigner's

stay in Jordan does not exceed two to three nights, and that the mistake the publisher has fallen in is due to his inclusion of all non-Jordanians in his statistical index. The fact is that most of these are-Egyptians who have come to Jordan for work, which statistically raises the average number of days of stay from two to seven.

The thousands of foreigners coming from Sri Lanka or the Philippines can not be listed as tourists either, as these work in Jordan for a year at least, which is ID 1000 million in tourism -- yet another source of statistical inalecuracy.

It is no big problem that int-

emational touristic foundations make statistical mistakes, but the real problem occurs when people working with the tourist sector in Jordan believe such mis-

once came to Agaba on some special arrangement have never shown up again. The tourists actually found nothing in Agaba except the sun and the beach, which they could find elsewhere at a lower price, and at shorter dis-

To be honest, Aqaba has nothing to offer the tourist, who expects a lively night-life, amusement and entertainment. The casino that was intended to open its doors to foreigners was finally given up , in theory and practice. Moreover. some tourists have complained that they are subjected to a curfew after six o' clock when they want to relax on hotel beaches.

Hotels that think about importing musical bands have to go through all sorts of complicated procedures, both financial and documentary. This discourages improvements in entertainment. Jordan has invested more than

the Royal Jordanian Airline (Alia) flights are rarely fully booked. and a high percentage of vacant beds is an every-night occurrence for almost all Amman's expensive hotels. The surplus value tourism brings to Jordan does not exceed seven per cent of the total local The tourist market in Jordan has ething about it than rejoice in miswitnessed an enormous setback. taken statistics.

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Yugoslav paintings, at the Jordan Fine Arts Association.

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from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centories). The Roman Theatre. Amman. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 51760.

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Popular Life of Jordan Museum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, ceete. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays, Tcl. 37169.

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National tennis team leaves for Inter-Arab Tournament

By Ara Yoskian Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN -- The Jordanian national tennis team left for Sudan Sunday to participate in the Inter-Arab Tennis Tournament which is to be beld in Khartoum.

The weeklong tournament which starts on Feb. 15 and will continue until Feb. 22 is sponsored by the Sudanese Tennis Federation:

The Jordanian team who represent the Jordanian Tennis Federation consist of Ziad Dajani, Naser Kamal, Rami Al Faraj, and Maureen Stalla as the team's

coach. Commenting on the fortheoming tournament and the Jordanian team's chances of good; results Mrs. Stalla who is the Jordan national team coach said: "We expect a tough competition as our players are not used to playing on grass courts, but Rami Al Faraj is expected to do well aga-

inst other junior players."
On the local scene the Jordan junior Icunis team defeated the American Embassy team 8-2 on

The Jordanians won all six singles and two doubles matches

while the American team won only two doubles matches. The national team was represented by Peter Abresevski. Rami Faraj, Ziyad Dajani, Iyad

Shehadeh, Nasser Kamal and Nabil Zu mut. The tournament was highlighted by Rami Faraj who won 3 sets against Larry Taylor of the American team. The two American doubles who won were Stan Stalla and Larry Taylor who beat Rami Faraj and Iyad Shehadeh, and S. Dewitt and R. Tuherson who defeated T. Fayyad and Dajani.

'Our players need competition," said Mrs. Stalla." We are planning to challenge other teams in Jordan because that is where maments."

our U.S. and western counterparts have the advantage over us."

The Jordanian team's star player Hani Al Ali is in the United States presently, and Mrs. Stalla hopes "to have him back in summer so as he can play in the Junior Championship to be held in Morocco probably in July 1983."

The Jordanian Tennis Federation's winter/spring pro-gramme is in progress and all Jordanians and foreigners are eligible to play on the appropriate ladder.
There are three ladders and the first 12 on each ladder will receive

free training. "The programme is in its third year," said Mrs. Stalla, "it is to develop the standard of the tennis players and to get better results in local and international tou-

Connors, Higueras meet in final

TORONTO (R) — Jimmy Connors Saturday defeated Peter McN-amara of Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 7-5, to join Jose Higueras of Spain in the final of the \$250,000 tennis tournament here.

Higueras defeated Gene Mayer of the U.S. 7-6, 6-4, 7-6 in his semi-final match. The winner of the final will receive \$100,000, with \$50,000 going to the runnerup.

Bearzot faces a crisis after Italy's humiliating draw against Cyprus

most popular man in Italy just seven months ago. is facing a cri-

The World Champions inept showing in Cyprus Saturday, where they were held to a humiliating 1-1 draw, has left the Italians with an uphill battle if they are to qualify for the European France next year.

Italy have not won a game since they beat West Germany 3-1 m the World Cup final in Madrid. The fallen heroes have been beaten at home by Switzerland in a friendly and drawn their three European Championship Group Five games.

Since they have still to visit Romania, Czechoslovakia and Sweden, a sbock elimination is very much on the cards.

Even before Saturday's disastrous result, the likeable and laconic Bearzot had come in for criticism over his determined adherence to the World Cup winning squad.

But following the humiliation meted out by the Cypriot parttimers, that criticism of the 56year-old manager is going to app- a couple of months time.'

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Television and radio commentators have already begun slamming Bearzot in what promises to be the prelude to a bar-

rage of attacks and interrogations. At the centre of the storm is Paolo Rossi of Jeventus, top scorer in the World Cup with six goals, and fellow striker Francesco Soccer Championship finals in Graziani of Florentina, who did manage to score the face-saving equaliser in Limassol.

Rossi has scored only three League goals this season, one less than Graziani.

Bearzot has been attacked for persisting with Rossi and Graziani while Internazionale's Alessandro Altobelli, who has eight goals to his credit, Roberto Bettega of Juventus and Bruno Giordano of Lazio have sat on the sidelines.

The manager, who never appears ruffled, has insisted he will not alter the side which won the World Cup.
But that may now change.

Faced by a crowd of heated journalists in Cyprus clamouring to know if he planned changes, Bearzot appeared to weaken in his resolve when he said: "We'll see in

Failure to qualify for the European finals would be considered a national disaster and be a grotesque humiliation for the newlycrowned World Champions.

Bearzot, who has been manager since 1977, still insists qualification is possible. But he must be a worried man.

Although he was offered an unprecedented four-year contract last November, effectively ensuring him of control until after the 1986 World Cup, it might prove hard for him to survive if Italy go out of the European Cha-

But Bearzot showed in Spain that he is not one to bow to criticism and he can draw strength from the fact that the World Cup campaign also began with three disappointing draws.

Seko wins Tokyo marathon

TOKYO (R) — Japan's Tos-bihiko Seko took the lead in the last 1.2 miles to win the Tokyo marathon Sunday in two hours eight minutes 38 seconds, the fourth fastest time recorded.

Seko, 27, has been hothered by a knee injury and had not run in a marathon since winning the Boston marathon 2:09:26 in April

Takeshi Soh of Japan came sec ond in 2:08:55 and Rodolfo Gomez of Mexico, winner of the 1982 Golden Marathon in Greece and runner-up in the 1982 New York City marathon, was third in

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TENNIS TALK

The unwritten code

By Maureen Stalla

TENNIS IS becoming quite popular here in Jordan. There are many people on the courts when the weather is nice; but many of them have not been exposed to the specific rules, both written and

Good sportsmanship is the key to tennis etiquette. Among tennis players there is a "code", that is, a number of things not specifically set forth in the rules, which are covered by custom and

The oldest tradition in tennis is to give your opponent the henefit of the doubt. This means that any hall that cannot be called out with certainty is presumed to be good, and continues in play. A player cannot claim a let on the hasis that he did not see a ball. This tactic could quickly get out of hand and all you would have to do when your opponent hit a great shot is close your eyes!

All players should cooperate to attain accuracy in making line calls. It is the obligation and prerogative of a player to call all balls in his court, to help his opponent if he requests it, and to call against himself any ball he clearly sees out on his opponent's side.

No point should be replayed because a player is not sure if a ball was in or out. It is quite infuriating to hear your opponent say, after a hard-fought point. "I'm not sure if it was in-let's play two." This is usually not as generous as it sounds-he must have some shred of doubt and that doubt means the point should go to his opponent.

Any call of "out" or "let" must be made instantaneously; otherwise the ball continues in play. "Instantaneously" means that the call is made before an opponent has a chance to hit the return, or before the return has gone out of play.

Don't enlist the aid of a spectator in making a call. The spectator has no part in the match, and putting him in it is very annoying to your opponent. Also, he may be either (1) prejudiced, or (2) totally unqualified and assuredly (3) sitting in the worst possible angle for an accurate call.

Finally and obviously, don't stall, sulk, complain or practise unethical gamesmanship. Instead, conduct yourself in such a fashion as to make the game enjoyable for the participants, players next to you, and the spectators.

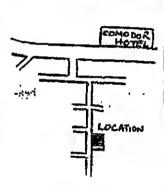
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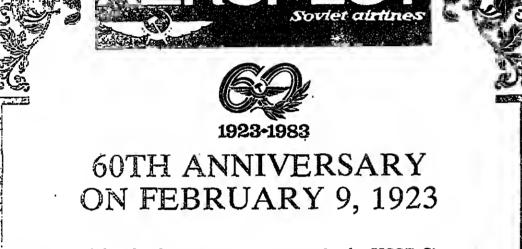
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Jordan Electricity Authority Stores & Supplies Dept. Fifth Circle - Orthodox Club Road Jebal Amman, Amman - Jordan.

A nonrefundable fee of (ID 60) will be charged for one set of tender documents comprising, one copy of the specifications and one full size and half size copy of the drawings.

Offers to be submitted to the Secretary of Tendering Committee accompanied with a bid bond equal to 2% of the offer value at 12.00 noon Monday 28/3/83 at the aim JEA address.

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A Council for Civil Aviation was set up in the USSR Sixty years have passed since then.

THE history of AEROFLOT began with the first 420-kilometre flight between Moscow and Nizhny Novgorod (now Gorky) inaugurated in July 1923.

AEROFLOT has to its credit the daring flights on unexplored routes to the Pamirs and to the North Pole, inauguration of the first air routes to Siberia, the Far East, Central Asia and Transcaucasia, super-long flights to the United States, Japan and other countries, world records set by Soviet-made planes. The first expedition has been delivered to the North Pole.

YEARS passed by and the Soviet Union established a mighty scientific and technical basis for its economy **AEROFLOT** made large strides. By 1941 the USSR had no equal in the world in the length of air routes. Planes carried tens of thousands of passengers, hundreds of tonner of cargo and mail and were widely used in agriculture and forestry, for geological prospecting, as ambulance aviation

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ivered about 400,000 tons of ammunition and material, foodstuffs and medicines to the defenders of Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev, Stalingrad, Odessa end Sevastopol and partisan detachments and units which operated in the enemy's rear. Day and night in any weather AEROFLOT planes flew to the front, brought wounded to the rear and evacuated civilians from besieged cities.

THE war came to an end. **AEROFLOT** resumed reguler peaceful flights. The fleet was replenished by new vehicles – AN-2s, IL-12s and OL-14s, and by the end of 1946 it doubled as compared with the prewar level, while the length of the air lines

almost quadrupled.

IN the 50s AEROFLOT scored new successes. The year 1956 was one of the major points for entire world civil aviation. In thet year the TU-104 clipper was put into service. The Soviet Union was the first country in the world to usher in a new era in the development of air transportation - the age of the jet. Civil aviation underwent the technical re-equipment stage. Multi-seat turboprop liners - IL-18s and TU-114s - appeared and in 1958 won gold medals at the World Exposition (Expo) in Brussels. **AEROFLOT** jetliners flew to New York, London, Paris, Havena, Wersaw, Bucharest, Ankara, Delhi, Jakarta, Cairo and other foreign cities.

IN the Sixties AEROFLOT acquired new jet machines: a transcontinental liner, the IL-62, the mediumrange TU-134 jet end the YAK-40 and AN-24 planes for locel services. New helicopters of the MI-2, MI-8 end KA-26 types have enabled to increase considerably the range of uses of eircraft technology in industry and agriculture. AEROFLOT's international services underwent considerable expansion. AEROFLOT's inaugurated regular flights to the countries of South-East Asia end Africa in 1967 AEROFLOT and JAL started joint services elong the trans-Siberian route, a shortcut between Europe and Japan.

THE introduction of new aircraft technology, mechanization and autometion of production processes have meant a restructuring for the whole civil aviation and contributed to a more regular services.

IN the ninth five-year plan (1971-1975) AEROFLOT handled 433 million passengers end over 11 million tonnes of cargo. Over 70 new airports and air terminals were added to AEROFLOT's network. The use of eircraft technology in the national economy became more veried.

AIRCRAFT services received another strong boost during the tenth five-yeer plan (1976-1980). Over 200 new services were inaugurated, predominantly in Siberia, the Far East and the Extreme North. The links between the above ereas and the centre of the country were improved, including the holiday-making areas in the Crimea, the Caucasus and the Baltic regions. The average passenger speed were increased from 663 km per hour ten yeers ago to 813 km per hour in 1980.

TODAY, AEROFLOT's regular services unite 3,600 airports in this country and over 116 cities in 93 countries of the world into a single network. The overall length of the Soviet airline compeny's routes is about a million kilometres. Now AER-OFLOT carries over a hundred million passengers a year. We can say that one out of every seven passengers in the world flies **AEROFLOT**, the world's biggest airline company.

SERVICES for passengers in the air and on the lend have always baen developing and improving. New eir terminal complexes have been commissioned in Moscow, Yereven, Frunze, Tallinn and other Soviet cities. New aircreft have appeared, including the 350-seater IL-86, the 120-seater YAK-42, the L-410 and AB-28 planes intended for local lines, and the IL-76, a giant cepable of delivering 40 tonnes of lerge cergo at once.

ECONOMY

en and meet today

VIENNA (R) — The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) finance ministers meet in Vienna Monday to discuss how much the oil organisation, faced with lower petroleum exports and prices, can afford to provide in future aid to the world's poorer

The OPEC Fund for International Development paid out financial aid totalling \$485.9 million last year, a record for the organisation. The fund's 1982 report, released last Friday, said: "Such expansion cannot be sustained if the financial position of OPEC countries and their ability to give continue to suffer as a result of lower oil

exports and prices." However, the fund's director-general, Mr. Ibrahim Shihata, told reporters it had enough resources to maintain 1982's performances

for the next two years. Mr. Shihata said aid to developing countries from OPEC was not compensation for higher oil prices.

"It is a matter n i sharing wealth with those you feel affinity for," he OPEC members consider themselves to be developing countries.

But poorer countries in the Third World were particularly hard hit by rising oil prices in the 1970s.

The development fund's resources come from members' contributions and earnings on its own capital.

It has paid out in the last six years \$620 million to support the , payment balances of poor countries and \$347 million for financing development projects, mainly in the transport and energy fields. The fund also supports the International Fund for Agricultural Development, for which it bas paid \$530 million.

During their one-day meeting, the finance ministers of OPEC's 13 member states will discuss the fund's capital resources, present and future, and determine how levels of aid could be maintained, Mr.

The ministers will also discuss the appointment of a new directorgeneral as Mr. Shihata is to become vice-president of the World Bank in June. He bas headed the fund since its beginning. Meanwhile, Libyan Oil Minister Kamel Hassan Al Maqhour San-

day consulted United Arab Emirates (UAE) officials on ways to head off a potential oil price crash, informed oil sources said.

The Libyan minister was said to be carrying a message from Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi, who wants emergency OPEC talks on sharing out the glutted oil market.

OPEC officials | Gulf states are braced for austerity budgets, spending cuts

BAHRAIN (R) - A decade after sibly sell some of their investment soaring oil prices made the Arabs or take out short-term bridging of the Gulf into the world's richest loans. people, the Gulf states are braced for austerity budgets and spending Bahrain-based Arab Banking

The world oil glut bas cut deeply into revenue and a threatened fall in OPEC (Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries) prices has put a squeeze on government spending unknown since the petrodollar era began a decade

ago, bankers said. OPEC's four Gulf members --Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Qatar - have seen their output drop to about 6.5 million barrels per day (b/d) from a 1979 peak of about 17 million.

A widely-expected cut in OPECs \$34 a barrel oil price would push revenue down below the current \$220 million a day, which is less than these states were earning in 1979, the bankers cal-

This year the Gulf states may use income from their vast savings, accumulated as oil prices jumped from about \$2.50 a barrel a decade ago, to maintain momentum in their economies, the bankers said.

One of the Arab world's leading bankers, Mr. Abdulla Saudi, said this month be expected the Gulf states to scale down their massive development projects and pos-

Mr. Saudi, president of the giant Corporation, also said they were unlikely to turn to the world fin-

The UAE announced this weekend that government spending would be slashed to half of last year's level and restricted to essential items until the sevenemirate federation of 1.1. million people drew up an austerity bud-

ancial markets for long-term

The UAE ran up a budget deficit last year of about \$1 billion as oil production dropped to not much more than a million b/d from peaks of about I.B million, officials said.

The bankers said the UAE also bad investment income of about SI billion a year which did not figure in budget calculations and could easily be diverted to current

spending. Kuwait, already facing a budget deficit for the current financial year ending June 30, has seen its oil revenue drop for the first time below its investment income of about \$10 billion, the bankers

Its oil output has slumped to an estimated 750,000 b/d from a peak of about 2.5 million and Finance Minister Abdul Latif is curbed the Gulfstate will face a major

Kuwait has already announced that the expected \$1 billion deficit experts reckon is little more than this year would be financed from

state reserves. Oman, a non-OPEC producer of about 300,000 byd of crude oil. said last month it expected its budget deficit to rise to \$590 million this year from a targeted \$473

million last year. The bankers said a fall in OPEC prices, which would be matched by Oman, would push the vast country of 850,000 people further into the red.

Oman has already begun tentative discussions about raising a large loan on the European mar-

Bahrain, a small country of about 325,000 people, bas announced that falling oil revenue means some construction projects will have to be delayed and a fnur-year development programme is to be stretched out.

The island state, which pumps only 42,000 b/d of crude oil, has few financial reserves to turn to. The government increased customs duties on alcobol by almost balf last week in a move some bankers said could be a prelude to

more tax rises. Saudi Arabia, the world's largest exporter, bas so far given no indication that its balanced \$90 billion budget for fiscal 1983 ending in April has slipped into def-

rently running at what some oil four million b/d.

Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency Governor Abdul Aziz Al Quraishi said last month the kingdom needed to pump six million b/d to cover its development proects.

The kingdom is best placed to absorb the fall-off in demand. Bankers estimate it has about

.\$150 billion in financial reserves and earns about \$45 million a day m interest. Meanwhile. Libya cautioned

Saturday against a cut in official OPEC oil prices, warning that ebeaper erude could barm the exporter group's economies.

The Libyan news agency JANA, in a dispatch to Reuters in London, said a lowering of oil prices was "an imperialist scheme" that would abstruct OPEC development plans.

The organisation has recently failed to reach agreement on sbaring out the glutted oil market, prompting expectations of a fall in the group's marker price of \$34 a

The Libyan agency said that a eut in oil prices "would deliver a blow whose aim would be the destruction of the Islamic world and achieve the prosperity of colonialist economies at the expense of the peoples of the oil producing countries and their development."

FORECAST FOR MONDAY, FEB. 14, 1983

YOUR DAILY from the Carroll Righter institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: The daytime is fine for resourcefully studying details that can help you advance in career activities. Exercise patience and you can overcome obstacles in the evening.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You may not be able to express your talents early in the day. Work at a measured pace and make np for lost time later.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Try to agree with wisbes of family members and maintain harmony at home. Don't be too extravagant at this time.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You need to tread lightly with contacts in the business world today. Show more consideration for those at home.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) If you have spend more money to make something work, it is wise to consult an expert for advice.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Don't force any issues to gain ynur way, but study every angle of your monetary position and get the results you want. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Forget an annoying situa-

tion and concentrate on something that is easily attainable. Don't neglect social angagements. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Take time to belp a good friand who is in trouble now. Study your aims and then

make positive plans for the future. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A civic duty requires extra care to bandla it properly. Friends may not be

amenable to your suggestions today. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You have to study more on a new idea you have before putting it in opera-

tion. Sidestep one who imposes on you. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Engage in new interests that can be profitable. Be more concerned with e

new philosophy of life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Avoid an associate who is irritable in the morning. Study a naw problem well before you try to solve it.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Even though you could be annoyed by conditions that arise unexpectedly, remain calm and use tact for best results.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY . . . he or she will do well in problem-solving occupations, so direct the education along such lines in order to make the most of the natural talents bere. Teach bow to handle money early in life. Spiritual training is a must.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

Athens helps struggling shipowners

ATHENS - Greek shipping magnates are no longer crying into their champagne, says Mr. Aristomenis Karageorgis, the president of the Union of Greek Shipowners. The tears drip instead into their Alka Seltzer.

He believes, bowever, that the result for the Greek-owned fleet it by the worst international freight crisis since the the 1930s will eventually be a fleet which is hea-

thier as well as leaner. lt will never again be profitable to run many of the older ships now laid up only because of the lack of demand for scrap. These will be. replaced by newer and more advanced types of vessels, he mai-

If Mr. Karageorgis bas sniffed the wind correctly, a gradual recovery could begin as early as the second half of this year.

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Mr. Karageorgis, taking a break welcome the measures announced from a 14-honr day devoted to

running his own fleet and the affairs of the powerful shipowners' union, said that oil transport was unlikely to return to pre-crisis levels, but there were definite prospects of more work for dry-cargo

shipping. In the meantime, he cautioned. many owners would continue to of a slimming operation forced on face the threat of going under, and even those with a solid financial base would bave to struggle to keep afloat.

"Operating and personnel costs continue to escalate, and must be offset by constant rationalisation and modernisation if shipowners are to survive," Mr. Karageorgis

government-imposed restrictions arting access to cargoes in certain areas are a growing threat to international trade," be added.

"Competition is tougher, and

Many shipowners therefore by the Greek government last month to belp the Greek fleet regain some of its lost international

competitiveness. provide a badly needed breathing eign ratings, to be paid to a special

The principal government concession announced by Mr. George Katsifaras, the minister of merchant marine, concerned bilateral crewing accords with developing countries of the Far East.

Under this measure foreign ratings will be paid the rates in force in their own countries and oot the far higher rates applicable for Greek seamen.

Although the Union of Greek shipowners bas not so far been prepared to release any figures on the expected financial gain from these accords, rough estimates on the Piraeus water-front speak of savings of between \$900 and \$3000 a month per ship, depending on the nationality and number of the foreign lower-back (non-officer) erewmwn engaged.

This is based on a calculation that the 30 per cent ceiling on the foreign proportion of a total crew allowed under the ministry's package translates into the engagement of between six and eight foreign lower-deck seamen in an average crew -- since all officers will have to be Greek from now

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This saving will be partly offset by a levy of \$850 per month on . At the very least, the measures any ship using more than two for-Greek seamen's unemployment

> The financial savings are not the only reason why the owners were so eager to obtain the crewing secord. They say - and in announcing the package Mr. Katsifaras for the first time publicly agreed with them - that there are simply not enough Greek seamen to crew the Greek fleet of nearly

Also, the present haphazard system of recruiting crewmen from different countries, rarely speaking the same language and as a rule not even professional scamen, burdens the operating costs of Greek ships without offering equivalent benefits to Greek sea-

Mr. Karageorgis said the crewing accord would contribute decisively to covering needs for lower-deck erew, while belping to reduce costs at a time when "any saving contributes to the recovery of a part of our lost competitiveness.

The better organisation which would result from the measures "will be of vital importance at the

ARE THERE ANY SELF-

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YOU WOULD RECOMMEND?

moment when recovery becomes a fact," ne said.

The government will, however, have to change the law to permit payment of foreign erew at lower rates - something which not even Greece's previous conservative administrations bad ventured to do in face of bitter opposition from marine unions.

One owner described this as a bold move for a socialist adm-

But on the whole, the ministry's package fell far short of the original proposals made by the shipowners last September.

In particular, the owners failed to obtain precise government undertakings on two issues described as vital to the future of Greek shipping - restriction on the seamen's right to strike; and revisioo of manning levels on modern automated ships.

Owners bad sought a restriction of the seamen's right to strike to ships either within Greek waters or, at most, inside the Mediterranean.

They wanted a strike-call to be legal only if it resulted from a general ballot of all union members. and not from a possibly small meeting in Piraeus which could more

easily be manipulated. In the end, the agreement pro-

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vided only that when the govemment tabled promised leg-islation in parliament on marine unions, it would not overlook "the interests of the country and the special nature of the marine industry.

On manning levels, which at present are higher for automated sbips flying the Greek flag than for such ships on other registries, the government said there might be some reduction in the number of lower-deck foreign seamen, commensurate with the need to maintain safety, operational efficiency and living standards on board.

The Panhellenic Seamen's Federation, the co-ordinating body of the 14 Greek marine unions, bas reserved its position on the kage and is thought likely to link it with outstanding demands for a general 35 per cent wage increase. Deadlocked talks between uni-

ons and owners are expected to reopen this month, when owners will probably agree to something under 10 per cent.

In the meantime, there are now more than 700 Greek-owned sbips laid up in Greek waters and at least another 300 idle abroad.

HOW ABOUT SOMETHING IN

TWENTY-FOUR VOLUMES?

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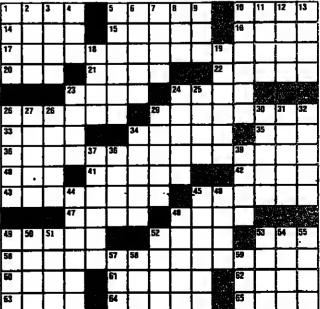
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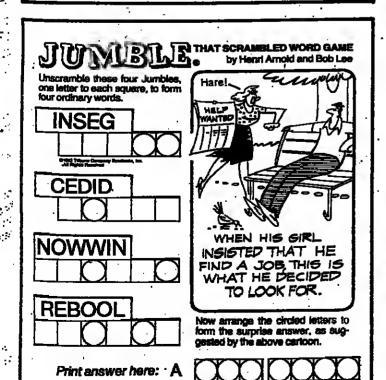
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THE BETTER HALF By Harris "So the handsome prince blew up all the credit cards in the kingdom and there

was much rejoicing....



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(Answers tomorrow)



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WORLD

Controversy centres around Indian | More infanticide reported in China | bandit queen's formal surrender

NEW DELHI (R) - Bandit queen Phoolan Devi, India's most notorious outlaw, was Sunday behind bars in the central Indian fortress town of Gwalior after laying down her gun at a controversial surrender ceremony.

The 27-year-old gangster, wanted for a St. Valentine's Day massacre of 21 villagers two years ago. gave herself up to the authorities in the central state of Mydhya Pradesh along with another of the rountry's most feared outlaws and 22 other bandits, police said.

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GAUBATI (R) - Hindus and

The little have clashed in an out-

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and a northeastern state of Assam

which votes Monday amid pre-

election violence that has killed

more than 70 people in the past 10

Bitter opposition to the ele-

mions has led to arson, sabotage,

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firings to disperse angry crowds on

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have so far heeded the call to lay down their arms, but about 3,500

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render rather than arrest them. News and pictures of the girl who called herself "Dasyu sundary" (the beautiful bandit) were splashed on the front pages of Indian nowspapers Sunday.

Under the headline "crowd fury over red carpet to Phoolan", the Hindustan Times said many in the crowd felt that the outlaws should have been gunned down ratherthan received by the chief min-

The terms of Phoolan's surrender were also a matter of dis-

Phoolan, a former child bride and daughter of a poor boatman. was taken to the central jail in Gwalior, famous for its towering fortress, after surrendering in the small town of Bhind, 300 kilomotres (180 miles) southeast of

At least six poople died Sat-.

urday in Hindu-Muslim com-

munal violence that added a new

dimension to pre-election tur-

bulence in this hilly farming and

oil-producing state. Tho sectarian

fighting was the first major out-

break of communal violence since

the bitterly-resented election

For Prime Minister Indira Gan-

dhi, who returned to New Delhi

guerrillas are still active, gov-

increased in the past month after a

period of relative calm. According

to official figures, 40 people have

died in political violence this year

and at least 30 civilians have been

The government said it would

issue "peace bonds" to a total of

70 billion pesos (just over \$1 bil-

lion) to raise money to modernise

President Belisario Betancur

announced on Friday night that

the government would spend 30

billion pesos (about \$436 million)

on re-equipping the police force to fight criminal and guerrilla act-

interior Minister Rodrigo Esc-

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Attacks by the insurgents have

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The Madhya Pradesh chief min-

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ister said she had surrendered without conditions.

But Phoolan, who was wearing Khaki and a red band round her head when she gavo herself up. claimed she had made a deal with

She said the terms included full protection for hor family and a commitment that she would not be handed ovor to the neighbouring state of Uttar Pradesh.

The U.P. police are known for their ruthlossness in dealing with the bandits, known here as dacoits, and have in the past been accused of shooting outlaws in cold blood and then claiming they died in an encounter with security

Producing a bandwritten document she declared was her surrender agreement, she said the conditions also stated that she should go on trial before a special

Saturday night after campaigning

for her Congress (1) Party, holding

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The polls are opposed by many

Assamese led by militant political

and student organisations and are

being boycotted by major non-

Communist Indian opposition

Gauhari, the state capital, was

would enable the government to

rehabilitate areas where guerrillas

President Betancur's con-

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last year on a platform of internal

security, economic reactivation

and an end to corruption by off-

The national customs dep-

artment said 42 officials had been

sacked and would be prosecuted

'Cocaine queen' caught

BOGOTA(R) - Colombian pol-

ice have arrested "cocaine queen"

Veronica Rivera de Vargas, one of

the world's most wanted drug-

traffickers, according to secret

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Rivera de Vargas was captured

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Colombian guerrillas surrender to authorities

court in Madhya Pradesh. The ceremony has also hig-

hlighted the pitter rivalry between the U.P. and Madhya Pradesh police, who are engaged in a continuous battle to stamp out the dacoits.

In scenes reminiscent of the Wild West, the dacoits, who are often better armed than the police, hold up cars and trains at gunpoint to rob passengers of valuables and abduct the sons of local landlords for ransom.

But the battle for the bonour to capture Phoolan, whose reputation approachedthat of a folk hero, led to a clash last week between the police of tho two states.

U.P. police arrested five policemen from Bhind on charges of kidnapping to prevent them escorting members of Phoolan's family to Madhya Pradesh ahead of the surrender, police sources said.

virtually paralysed Saturday by a

strike organised by militant org-

anisations to protest against the

Speaking at a meeting held

under tight security on the out-

skirts of Gauhati, the prime min-

ister said elections were a con-

stitutional necessity for the stato

which has been undor direct cen-

tral government rulo from New

ombia where she had established

"one of the most modern drug-

processing laboratories in the reg-

lon." Col. Yanine Diaz said Sat-

The police seized 132 kil-

ogrammes of cocaine with a street

vallue of \$150 million, a plane,

three cars and weapons of various

to fly the coeaine cargo to the Uni-

ted States, were among those arr-

The colonel said the "cocaine

queen" had links with int-

emational drug-traffickers in the

United States, Europe and Latin

America and was wanted by police

U.S. with drugs direct from her

laboratory, the first of its kind est-

She supplied Europe and the

in all these areas.

the colonel said.

Two pilots, who were preparing

Delhi since last March.

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visit of Mrs. Gandbi.

PEKING (R) - Chinese parents who want their only child welcomed by the state to be a boy. have murdered at least 210 baby girls in two southern counties, Canton's Manfang newspaper bas

It was the highest figure disclosed in a now government campaign against infanticide involving girls, which has become a serious problem in China because of tough birth control in a society where traditionally sons are preforred to daughters.

The Chinese government, seeking to limit each family to one child in an attempt to control a population of one billion, has said the next generation will have too many men and too few women if femalo infanticide is not ora-

But there has been no suggestion the strict birth control regulations might be relaxed because of the killings.30

The official provincial daily paper said the murders took place in Guangdong Province near Hong Kong between January and October last year.

The most common method was

drowning but some babies were strangled and others were abaadoned or thrown into public toilets, it said.

The paper said infanticide had become an open secret in three other Guangdong cities.

"In some villages they keep a bucket full of water by the mother's bed as she is giving birth, and if the secreaming infant turns out to be a girl, she is immediately drowned in it," it quoted local off-

addressing a workers rally outsido

the Lenin shipyards. He was driven round the city in a car for

about eight bours to keep him

Last month the union leader

became embroiled in a struggle,

still unresolved, to get his old ele-

ctrician's job back at the Lenin

He refused to recognise the authority of the administrator

charged with handling Solidarity's

affairs, whose signature was nec-

ded before he could resume work.

helittle Mr. Walesa's importance

as they try to build up support for

their new union structure, which

The official media reported Mr.

Walesa's questioning, emp-

hasising that it was "as a witness in

the criminal case against Jacek

Kuron and leading members of

Before he was questioned Mr.

Walesa said he would try to avoid

incriminating his former ass-

ociates, and clearly feared that

being called to give evidence could

he has said he will not join.

the KOR leadership".

The authorities have sought to

away from his supporters.

What is even more shocking is that some village officials sym-

pathise with and even support such activities, saying that "since we're promoting one couple, one child, of conrse everyone wants a boy and not a girl", it added.

Chinese peasants, who rarely get pensions and rely on their families in old age, regard sons as insurance for the future because wives usually live with their in-

Government regulations unpose a tough system of fines backed by material incentives to enforce the one-child policy. State-run women's associations put strong pressure on women pregnant with a second or subsequent child to

Famed Reuter

WASHINGTON (R) - Paul Scott Rankino, a former Reuter correspondent whose report m 1945 told Adolf Hitler that his secret police chief Hoinrich Himmler had tried to surrender, died on Friday night after a heart att-

Members of his family said rgetown Hospital. He was 74.

Rankine was covering the founding conference of the United Nations Organisation in San Francisco on April 29, 1945, when he was told of Himmier's secret attempt to surrender to the Western

His exclusive report, flashed around the world, was given to Hitler in the Berlin bunker where the Nazi leader committed suicide the following day.

Cornelius Ryan wrote in his best selling book "The Last Battle" that Rankine's report "gave Hitler his first inkling of Him-

correspondent dies at 74

Rankine, who was Washington bureau chief for Reuters until 1956, had a seizure while shovelling snow outside his Washington home and was pronounced dead on arrival at Geo-

mler's perfidy",

Lech Walesa's 3rd brush with the government ends elaborate lengths to prevent him

WARSAW (R) - Lech Walesa, leader of the outlawed Solidarity union, has emerged from his third brush with the authorities since he was released from internment under martial law last November.

Mr. Walesa, 39, was allowed homo Saturday after three days of questioning as a witness in the case against members of the dissident movement KOR, who worked . yards. closely with Solidarity.

Prominent KOR spokesman Jacek Kuron and four others were formally arrested last September and are heing investigated on charges of trying to overthrow the state by force.

When he was freed from int-

omment Mr. Walesa said he felt his release depended on his behaviour and that he felt like a man pushed out on a greased tightrope over a prison yard. He said he would be cautious,

but already, in less than three months, his determination to retain his position as a national figure and to fight for Solidarity's principles has brought him into conflict with the administration.

In December the authorities in

his home city of Gdansk went to

SUCHITOTO, El Salvador (R) —

At least 20 people were killed in

fierce fighting between troops of El Salvador's U.S.-backed army

and leftist guerrillas for control of

the road leading to this provincial

town north-east of the capital.

local military commanders rep-

They had no precise hreakdown

of casualties but the army app-

eared to have suffered most of the

losses while trying to dislodge reb-

els from positions along the nar-

row road to Suchitoto, 45 kil-

The commanders said fighting

ometres from San Salvador.

be used to set him against them. At least 20 die in El Salvador battles

in the area died down late Sat-

urday after the guerrillas were believed to have slipped away, Fighting erupted when guerrillas attacked a lorry carrying grain to Suchitoto, which has been the target of frequent guerrilla assaults in El Salvador's three-

year-old Civil War. The town changed hands repeatedly, with the guerrillas withdrawing whenever government pressure became heavy - a pattern which has become typical of

the fighting here. Military spokesman had no information on guerrilla casualties in

the latest fighting but one soldier told reporters he thought not a single rebel had been killed. Saturday government forces

were trying to bit guerrilla pos-The rebels, believed to number about 50, replied with beavy machineguns and automatic rifles from positions well-concealed in the forests along the road.

Soldiers from the nearby Suchitoto garrison were seen carrying

bazookas into the area but stayed well away from the main battle

GOREN BRIDGE

ivity.

BY CHARLES GOREN

19:382 Tribung Company Syndicate, Inc.

Q. - For the unoteenth time, we have been cheated at the iceal duplicate cinh! Last night, we came across a pair who osed Rusinow leads, i.e., they lead the lower of tecching bonors. Against my four heart contract, at the third trick a defender led the tool of clubs. I asked his partzer whether they played Rusinow at that stage. Despite the jact that the partner was looking at the queen of clubs, and knew that the lead had not been from touching honors, he said that they did. As a result I misplayed the hand and went down in a contract that should have succeeded. I have been caught this way a number of times and am fed up with it. What can I do about it?-Shocked in St. Louis.

This question has been awarded the weekly prizo.) A. - I have decided to discuss this garation because there is considerable confusion about what you are entitled to know about the methods of west opponents. This case is wygieżi.

Rusinow leads normally are used only on opening lean, but can be used at other times, as seems to be the case here. Therefore, in theory, the lead of the jack of clubs promised the queen. The opponents had an agreement about that, and you are entitled to that knowledge.

When you play Rusinow leads, though, you might also ead the jack from J-x in the out. The Hader's partner, who . . bedding at the queen, hasw that the lead was from a short suit. However, he is not required hy the Laws of Contract missing cards 5-3, etc.

Bridge to reveal his own holding to you by tolling you that it was from a short suit and that, by inference, he held the quoen.

Consider the analogous situation where you play normal loads and you lead the queen of a suit against a contract. Usually, that would show tho jack, but you also sometime lead the queen from a holding of Q-x. If partner happens to hold the jack. he knows that you must be leading from a short suit. Howover, he is not obliged to tell oeclarer this. Here's another case. Sup-

pose that the Rusinow leader leads the jack and declarer holds the queen. Now it is doclarer who knows that the lead ia from a short suit while the leader's partnor is in the dark. If you were declarer, are you suggesting that you should tell your opponent that his partner doesn't hold the queen? Perhaps you asked tho

wrong question. Suppose you asked: 'What do you understand from your partner's lead?" A full and correct reply would have been. "Either be holds the queen or he is leading from a short

Q. - What is an easy method of remembering the percentages for the distribution of a suit?-R. Fleming, Auburndale, N.Y.

A.-There is no simple way of learning all the percentages. But all you really need know is that any number of missing cards in a suit are likely to break as close to evenly as possible without being distributed exactly equally between the two hands. Thus, seven missing cards are likely to break 4-3. six missing cards 42, eight

American Indian chiefs discuss fugitive's future

with 12 members of her gang at a ablished by a woman in Colombia.

ian chiefs meet Saturday and Sun-day to decide if a leader of the American Indian movement can be granted permanent sanctuary on their ancient lands to savo him from jail, where he fears he could

Local police are worried there could be violence if U.S. officials raid the reservation where Dennis Banks, 52, is living.

The chiefs and federal agents are on the frontime of a struggle by the Indians of the Iroquois nations to have the U.S. government recognise a treaty, signed almost 200 years ago, that gave the Onondagas reservation in New York State sovereign status.

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents have a warrant for the arrest of Banks, who jumped bail after being convicted on riot and assault charges in South Dakota eight years ago, but they say

NEW YORK (R) - Iroquois Ind- they do not want "any unfortunate meidents.

The 14 chiefs are expected to agree to Banks' request for sanctuary when they meet on the reservation, which is home to 400 people who make up one of the six lroquois nations in this depressed area noar the city of Syracuse.

Banks' brother, Mark, and radical attorney William Kunstler have said that any attempt to arrest him could lead to a repeat of the 1975 incident when two FBI agents and an Indian were killed after the agents entered the Pine Ridgo reservation in Oglala. South Dakota.

Banks surfaced at Onondagas last month after fleeing California. where the new governor, George Deukmejian, said he might extradite him to South Dakota for sentencing on his 1975 conviction for riot and assault. .

Jazz veteran dies 5 days after turning 100 He also listened on a specially-

NEW YORK (R) - The world of American popular music Sunday mourned Eubie Blake, one of giants of ragtime, who died Saturday five days after his 100th hirthday.

Blake composed more than 1,000 songs, including "Memories of you" and "I'm just wild about

Only last Monday thousands of people jammed St. Peter's Lutheran church, New York's jazz musicians' church, to hear dozens of jazz groups play in a round-the-clock birthday celebration for

would have taken better care of himself had he known that he would live so long, watched tel-evised excerpts of the show from his sick bed at bome.

installed telephone line to a twohour party held in his honour at a New York theatre. Blake's friend and lawyer, Ell-

iot Hoffman, said the humorous

and hugely popular black mus-ician died at his Brooklyn home while battling pneumonia. "There will be no formal funeral other than a memorial service-

on Friday", Mr. Hoffman said. There, will be an interment but that will be private." He was the son of former alaves. He dropped out of school well before the turn of the century and

began his musical career playing the piano in a bordello in Bal-

But by 1921 he had teamed up

with lyricist Noble Sissle to present "Shufflin' along," the first hlack musical to be seen on Broadway. They later wrote songs for established stars like Noel Coward. Gertrude Lawrence and Sophie Tucker. .

Blake went to university at the age of 66 to study composition in greater depth and subsequently wrote a piece now performed by symphony orchestras. He was one of the founders of

the American Society of Composers, authors and publishers. In 1981 he received the Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honour, from President Reagan at the White House. Blake's wife, Marion, died last year. They had no children.

Barbie should stand trial in Bol-

ivia for alleged links with par-

amiliary organisations and drugs traffickers, and should not be

The way Bolivia expelled Klaus Barbie prompts some questions beon pending before Bolivia's debt was paid, that he thought

By Juan Javier Zeballos

LA PAZ - The departure of con-

victed Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie from Bolivia has been generally welcomed here but has prompted some potentially awkward questions for the civilian government about the motives and the method - summary exp-

Barbie, who had lived in Bolivia for more than 30 years after fleeing Europe at the ond of World War II, was put on a Bolivian military plane last Friday and expelled to France after spending I1

days in fail over an unpaid debt. Interior Minister Mario Roncal said Barbie had violated immigration regulations since his citizenship was granted in 1957 under the assumed name of Alt-

But some newspapers and pol-

iticians have questioned the leg-

ality of the expulsion, especially

since a formal request for his ext-

radiction to West Germany had

supreme court. The court is to go ahead with its extradition hearings, however academic the ruling will be.
The infliential Catholic daily Presencia said in an editorial:

"The logical thing would have been to wait for the failure of the extradition request in the supreme COLUT!" It added: "Everything took place as if it were an extradition

granted outside the law. It is esssocial that the government prepare more solid arguments to defend its actions." Mr. Roacal and Foreign Minister Mario Velarde are to appear before parliament to explain the

legal basis of the government's actions and how it established Barbie's "false" citizenship. Newspapers hav suggested that Belivia's young civilian government, which took office last October after 18 years of almost unmterrupted military rule, had been motivated more by a desire

to please Franco than by concern

for strict logality.

An evening paper in La Paz suggested that Bolivia might have received something in return for Barbie. "The government sold Klaus Altmann, a Bolivian citizen, for a reward as yet unknown to the people," the paper said. Presencia also took up this

France in order to gain economic help from both Paris and the European Community. "Bolivia is presented in the unappetising role of someone who hands over a person for a reward," Presencia said. "That interoretation must be rejected once

theme, noting suggestions that the government had wanted to please

and for all," it added. The daily Hoy, which like the government follows a centre-left political line, titled its main editorial: "Justice took its time, but arrived."

While acknowledging that questions existed about the goverament's conduct, it concluded: We feel that it is not worth worrying with such passion about a man who went beyond the limits of human decency."

The arrest of Barbie in connection with a \$10,000 debt to the state mining company came on the heels of a political crisis which had threatened the government's brief

One of the three parties in the ruling coalition pulled its ministers out of the government, saying the party of President Herman Siles Zuazo had a dominant clique in key posts.

Crisis resolved

After negotiations with his former partners failed, Mr. Siles Zuazo replaced them with independents and members of his own party, resolving the crisis but

weakening his political base. Vice-President Jaime Paz Zamora, head of the Revolutionary Movement of the Left (MIR) which withdrew from the government, kept his job but evideuce of continuing differences with the rest of the administration surfaced during the Barbie affair.

He said last week, as Barbie

remained in custody even after his

Mr. Paz Zamora softened his line after the expulsion, saying that deporting Barbie was preferable to allowing him to go free

deported.

debt was paid. Barbie's alleged role in organising paramilitary groups has been prominently reported in the press since his arrest, particularly his links with a group involved in neutralising opposition to a mil-stary coup in 1980. The coup prevented the elected civilian government, headed by President Siles Zuazo, from taking office.

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Whatever the motives, the expulsion of Barbie, following the -capture and deportation of wanted Italian neofascist Pier Luigi Pagliai on the day the government took office, has emphasised the administration's break with its military predecessors.

NEWS BRIEF

Mujahedin allege 1800 executions

LONDON (R) — The Iranian lef-tist opposition Mujahedin org-anisation said Sunday that 1800 political prisoners were executed m Tehran in one week last month. A statement by the Mujahedin's Paris office telephoned to Reuters here said the executions took place at Evin prison in Tehran from Jan. 22-28. Trucks were used to carry the bodies to Behesht-Zahra cemetery where they were buriod in secret, the Mujahedin said. Workers at the cemetery said the bodies were badly buised and showed signs of torture, the statement added.

China says Hanoi violated border

PEKING (R) - China Sunday accused Vietnam of conducting 'armed provocations' on their tense border in the week leading up to the lunar new year, a major festival in both countries. The Now China News Agency listed fivo clashes between Feb. 6 and 10, but made no mention of casualties. The incidents interrupted the peaceful life of the local people." it added. The agency said that on the morning of Feb. 6, Victnamese troops fired sholls for 25 minutes at peasants in border commune in Guangri Province, forcing them to leave thou homes.

I dead, I hurt in ETA-style attack

TOLOSA, Spain (R) — A woman was killed and her industrialist husband seriously wounded in a machine-gun attack Saturday which boro the hallmarks of Basque separatist guerrillas, police source said. Cartridges of the type usually used by ETA (Basque bomeland and freedom) guerrillas were found at the scene of the attack on the couple's car in the centre of Tolosa, they said.

Trawler out to ram sealing ships

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (R) --A campaigner against sealhunting has sailed from Grenada in a 700-ton deep-water trawler with the express intention of ramming any scaling ship to leave the Canadian port of Halifax. Paul Watson, 32, a Canadian, said: "If nothing is done to protect these sea mammals they will be exterminated and I, and those who are with me, feel what we are doing is fully worth the risks." His boat, Sea Shepherd, was erewed by volunteers who each paid \$1,500 to make the trip. Further finance came from royalties from a book which Mr. Watson wrote. Pointing out that no one was iniured in that episode, Mr. Watson said he believed his safety precautions would keep risks to a

Vaccination can prevent liver cancer

minimum on his current voyage.

GENEVA (R) — The World Hea-lth Organisation (WHO) said that there was now solid evidence that liver cancer could be prevented by vaccmation. The trigger mechanism was heptitis "B" virus, 25. 80 per cent of liver cancers resulted from infection with this virus, Prof. Arie Zuckerman told # news conforence. "Hepatitis B' is second only to tobacco as a recognised cause of human cancer," he said. Liver cancer was one ofthe 10 most common cancers, with 250,000 new cases every year, he

Coroner of stars to be reinstated

LOS ANGELES (R) - A U.S civil service hearing officer recommended reinstatement for Dr. Thomas Noguchi, the so-called coroner to the stars who was criticised for his comments on the deaths of Hollywood celebrities. Dr. Noguchi, 55, a Japanese-born pathologist, was demoted last April by the board of supervisors, the local authority, after being accused of mismanagement and of making unprofessional speculation about the deaths of filmstars William Holden and Natalie Wood, Civil service officer Sara Noguchi, who was demoted to the post of physician specialist in the coroner's office, be given back his position as Los Angeles coronel.

